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OUR MISSION

Driven by Catholic social teaching, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen provides quality services with dignity and respect to the poor, vulnerable and all people in need, and partners with families and communities to improve the quality of life.
Addiction has no boundaries.

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen offers Co-Occurring Services

Catholic Charities offices in Middlesex and Somerset Counties were licensed this year by the NJ Department of Health, Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services as an approved service provider to treat individuals with co-occurring disorders.

Mental illness affects people from all walks of life. People with mental health disorders are more likely than people without mental health disorders to also experience an alcohol or substance use disorder. Due to the complexity of symptoms, co-occurring disorders can be difficult to diagnose.

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) estimates that over 8.9 million people have co-occurring disorders. Only 7.4% of these individuals receive treatment for both conditions while 55.8% receive no treatment at all.

As an approved provider to treat people with co-occurring disorders, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen can more adequately respond to the complexity of treatment of people struggling with substance use and mental illness.

Over 8.9 million people have co-occurring disorders, and more than 50% receive no treatment.
Keeping Families Together (KFT) is an evidenced-based model of permanent supportive housing for child welfare involved families struggling with homelessness and other challenges. Keeping Families Together was expanded in fiscal year 2018 to serve an additional 50 families in Hunterdon, Mercer, Somerset and Warren counties for a total of 100 families, including the original 50 families in Middlesex County.

Since the inception of the program, Catholic Charities has worked collaboratively with families, community housing partners and the Department of Community Affairs to provide safe, affordable housing. Seventy-nine families have been housed to date. All families will receive supportive clinical and case management services from the Keeping Families Together Program to help keep the family together and stably housed.

In total, 100 families were referred by the Division of Child Protection and Permanency for participation in the program and are all moving towards safe, affordable, and permanent housing.
When Elisabeth first met with the Catholic Charities Keeping Families Together (KFT) team, she seemed a timid, resilient woman, struggling to find answers. She was couch-surfing and unemployed. Elisabeth talked openly about her struggles. She and her family were involved with the child welfare system for six years. Her four children were in foster care placement due to a range of challenges, including homelessness. Elisabeth was unsure if and when her children would be returned to her care. She was receptive to receiving help, but lacked resources and support.

Keeping Families Together assisted Elisabeth with the housing application process for a 15-year project-based housing voucher, and provided the family with furniture and essential household goods. Elisabeth moved into her new home and transformed her life. She is employed part-time and actively participates in clinical and case management services. Elisabeth and her children were reunited and started the school year in their new hometown.

Elisabeth and her family are now permanently housed and can begin the healing process. The family can be housed for 15 years in affordable housing and continue to receive clinical and case management services as needed for the duration of their housing. When discussing her reunification with her children, Elisabeth stated, “KFT gave me hope.”
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, added a second subsidized preschool program to its catalog of services in New Brunswick this year—Youth Enrichment Services (YES) at St. Ladislaus, 197 Somerset Street. Catholic Charities is building on the success of the YES Early Learning Center at Sacred Heart, 115 Commercial Avenue, which uses Tools of the Mind® Curriculum to ensure every child becomes a successful learner.

The Agency was awarded the second contract and began the task of renovating the center on July 1st. Thirty-two new staff members were hired and upgrades to the center were completed in preparation to welcome students in September. The Preschool Center at St. Ladislaus has 12 classrooms with a maximum capacity of 180 children. Funding for the program is provided by the New Brunswick School District.

Catholic Charities has provided more than 30 years of quality affordable child care services to the community and currently operates more than 20 child care programs in the counties of Middlesex, Morris, Somerset and Warren.

Overall, 1,594 children were enrolled in Catholic Charities child care programs last year, including children enrolled in early learning centers, school age child care programs and summer camp programs.
ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JULIO COTO, LCSW

Julio Coto began his career with Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen in 1984 and stepped into his role as Acting Executive Director on July 1, 2018. Julio previously held the position of Associate Executive Director working strategically as part of the Executive Team for the past 14 years.

Known for his innovation and talent for moving the Agency forward, Julio worked on maximizing the use of technology via the implementation of multiple systems to increase efficiency and access to data. Under his tenure the Agency expanded programs across several service areas and implemented efficiencies that maximized service delivery.

FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MARIANNE MAJEWSKI, LCSW

After 37 years of dedication and service to Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, Marianne Majewski retired June 30, 2018 as executive director of the Agency. Marianne started as an intern at Catholic Charities in 1981, and held numerous positions with Catholic Charities until she became the Executive Director in 2000. Under Marianne's tenure, the Agency grew to more than 22 sites and 100 programs.
The financial information reported was derived from the agency’s audited financial statements as of and for the year ending June 30, 2018.

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Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen is one of the largest non-profit social service providers in New Jersey serving more than 50,000 people through more than 100 programs in the Diocesan counties of Hunterdon, Middlesex, Somerset and Warren.

All of our programs are designed to strengthen individuals and families and provide a path to self-sufficiency and hope for a better future. Anyone can come to us for help, regardless of race, religion or ethnicity.

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