

DCA FAQs

Q *Where does the money go?*

A See pages 20-21 “DCA Dollars at Work” or the next page for audited diocesan income.

Q *I’m already giving, why should I support the DCA?*

A Support of your home parish is very important; but all parishes benefit from the ministries outlined in this manual.

There are many parishes and priests who need the DCA support. The DCA is a way for you to help Catholics in our 25-county diocese.

Q *How are parish quotas determined?*

A Every parish is assigned a specific dollar amount as its share of the overall DCA goal. Parish goals are based on the average assessable income throughout the most recently completed fiscal year. Building fund, fundraisers, all second collections, net religious item sales, school tuition/income are exempt from assessable income.

Q *Does the DCA fund 100% of the diocesan budget?*

A The DCA is one of the largest sources of revenue for the Diocese of Lubbock, providing just more than 31 percent of its operating income. The remaining income comes from grants from private foundations, donations from individuals and Catholic organizations, investment income and fees paid for workshops, conferences and training materials. See page 46 for more information.

Q *What amount should I give?*

A All donations are welcome; however, to help you better understand how you can maximize your stewardship efforts, we have included a My Catholic Giving Guide on page 41-42 to help you figure out how much you should give to the DCA.

Q *What are parish rebates?*

A The total amount of payments you and your fellow parishioners make to the diocese that exceeds the quota is shared equally with the parish. The term “rebate” is used to describe this process. This serves as an additional fundraiser for parishes during the year. Some parishes forgo their rebates and give in full charity to the DCA.

Q *Can I make a one-time gift?*

A If you prefer to make your gift all at one time, you may do so; however, most people are able to make a larger total gift to the appeal by making stewardship gifts to the DCA throughout the year instead of at one time. In order to maximize your stewardship efforts, consider giving more than once to the DCA.

The commitment form lists several options for monthly payment of a DCA gift, including making online payments at www.catholiclubbock.org/DCA.

Q *Can I give online?*

A Yes. You can visit the DCA website at www.catholiclubbock.org/DCA to submit an online payment. You can also give on the mobile phone ShelbyNEXT app. Use the QR codes below to download the app on your phone. Be sure to acknowledge your parish.



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