

Legal Name: Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Winona

Classification: Multi-Service Focus

Tax Status Determination: 501(c)(3) not for profit corporation. Incorporated in 1947.

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Mission Statement: Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Winona serves the poor and marginalized, advocates for social justice, and calls all people to the ministry of Christ.

Brief Organization Overview: Catholic Charities is the social service arm of the Diocese of Winona, which includes the twenty southernmost counties of Minnesota from the Mississippi River to the South Dakota border. Through its seven regional and field offices, Catholic Charities provides a wide range of human services including:

- Adoption
- Guardian/Conservator Services
- Refugee Resettlement
- Common Good Retired and Senior Volunteer Program
- MediAppS (Medication Application Service)



- Family & Individual Counseling
- Pregnancy & Parenting Counseling
- Project Rachel (post abortion counseling)
- Parish Social Ministry
- Emergency Financial Assistance

Hope Lives Here—Because of You!

Who Benefits & How: Catholic Charities' staff and volunteers serve over 3,700 people a year including children, families in crisis, vulnerable adults and seniors, refugees, the poor, and the unborn - regardless of ethnicity, age, gender, or faith tradition. Space does not permit us to describe all the ways you help us create hope, but let us share a few with you!

- Our **Pregnancy and Parenting Counseling program** provides **24/7/365** accessibility to Licensed Social Workers who provide counseling and support for birth parents seeking the best plan for their expectant child.
- Therapists in our **Family and Individual Counseling** program help families, individuals, and couples, regardless of their ability to pay, to address issues and concerns that are causing a high degree of stress in their lives.
- Our **Refugee Resettlement** staff and volunteers help individuals and families who cannot return home due to war, persecution, or oppression create new beginnings for their future.
- Our **Guardian/Conservator program** staff manages the personal and financial affairs of vulnerable persons who can no longer make decisions necessary to protect themselves and/or their finances.