

How will you help Jesus in disguise?



*“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
a stranger and you welcomed me.” (Mt 25:35)*

The Catholic Relief Services Collection prioritizes families, values their fundamental role in society, and strives to protect them. The Collection funds six Catholic agencies that work to protect families by providing basic humanitarian aid and life-skills training to those in need, protecting poor families all over the world, advocating for policies that strengthen families abroad, and resettling and welcoming refugees forced from their homes.

Sipho Ncube was not hit as hard as her neighbors when a food shortage came upon her village in Zimbabwe. Four years earlier Sipho, a widow and mother of three, was selected by Catholic Relief Services and the Organization for Rural Associations for Progress to receive assistance from a small livestock pilot project. The initiative helps extremely poor families lift themselves out of poverty by giving them goats, pigs, and poultry to build household wealth. Project staff showed Sipho how to properly care for, house, and breed her animals, which allowed her to sell the offspring, feed her family, and survive through hardships.

Funds from the Collection also help Parishes Organized to Welcome Refugees (POWR). POWR is an initiative sponsored by the USCCB Department of Migrant and Refugee Services that works to develop long-term, sustainable programs to help resettle refugees across the United States. In the Diocese of St. Augustine in Florida, POWR helps refugees find work. Many of them lack employment and credit histories and, often times, job skills. The POWR program stresses the importance of good interview skills and explains U.S. hiring procedures.

Your Donations

Alleviate suffering and provide assistance to people in need through the international Catholic humanitarian agency, *Catholic Relief Services*

Supply outreach and pastoral care to refugees, migrants, and travelers through the *USCCB Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church*

Provide assistance to victims of natural disasters and other emergencies around the world through the *Holy Father's Relief Fund*

Advocate for poor and vulnerable people and for international justice and peace through the *USCCB-Department of Justice, Peace and Human Development*

Actively help victims of human trafficking and refugees by providing resettlement services and public policy advocacy through the *USCCB Department of Migration and Refugee Services*

Provide legal services to struggling immigrants through the *Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC)*

Help **Jesus in disguise**. Give generously to the Catholic Relief Services Collection.



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