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Dear Friend,

This September, Catholic Charities Community Services (CCCS) – the charitable service arm of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Phoenix - is celebrating Catholic Charities Awareness Month!

Catholic Charities, founded in 1933, continues to walk alongside and affirms the dignity of the most vulnerable individuals and families throughout Central and Northern AZ. We assist those marginalized by society with solutions that permanently improve lives. As we give thanks for the graces bestowed upon us to serve, we want to welcome you and your community to join us in celebrating over <u>90 years of service during September, also</u> <u>known as "Catholic Charities Awareness."</u>

We encourage you and your community to join us in celebration of our shared missions. Catholic Charities desires to walk alongside you, too, as you nurture those in your community who can benefit from our services. <u>**Together**</u> we can bring hope to those who have been marginalized!

Please join us by spreading awareness about the work we do. Here are some simple ways to get you started:

- 1. Share information about our services with others. Let us know if you need more print or digital material.
- 2. **Place our announcements** in your weekly bulletin board or on social media frequently.
- 3. Include our prayer intentions (written by our own Sr. Betty Banja).
- 4. **Welcome "Champions"** to host a table at community events in September and beyond.
- 5. Add our Catholic Charities link to your resource page for quick access to anyone in need https://www.CatholicCharitiesAZ.org/.

Our Online Toolkit has numerous community resources you may access anytime:

- Announcements to use for the entire month of September and beyond.
- General information about Catholic Charities Awareness Month, Joining Hearts-Pregnancy Counseling and Adoption program as well as our other Counseling Service.

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- Bilingual Agency Overview videos
- Prayer Intentions
- Champion Volunteer (ambassador/liaison) information for anyone interested in learning about our services and sharing them with others.
- Miracle Project information to engage youth in serving
- Our online Toolkit can be accessed at: <u>https://www.catholiccharitiesaz.org/ccawareness-toolkit</u>

For any questions or if you are in need of materials, please contact Dulce Valdez, Parish and Diocesan Engagement Manager, at <u>dvaldez@cc-az.org</u> or 602-650-4832. Our leaders, Paul Mulligan, President & CEO, and Cathy Peterson, LCSW, Executive Director, Northern Arizona Region, are also available to discuss anything you need at <u>pmulligan@cc-az.org</u> or 602-650-4835, or <u>cpeterson@cc-az.org</u> or at 928-778-2531.

The work we do together unites us in faith, service and goodwill, so thank you for your continuous partnership.

Sincerely in Christ,

Paul S. Mulligan, MTS, MBA President & CEO

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