



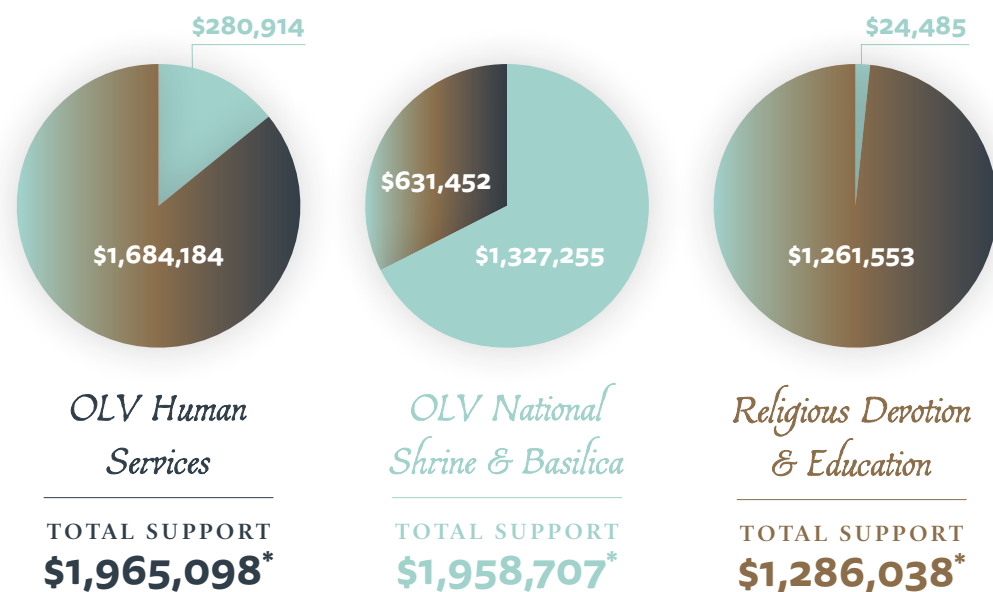
OLV Charities provides much-needed financial and in-kind support (critical business operations such as information technology, facilities, and finance) to OLV Human Services and OLV National Shrine & Basilica. It also encourages devotion to Our Lady of Victory and supports Father Baker's Cause for Canonization.

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Each year,
thousands of children, teens, adults, seniors, and families come to our campus for help and guidance. Our life-saving programs for those dealing with mental, physical, and behavioral difficulties provide healing and hope. And our wondrous Basilica offers spiritual sanctuary, quiet comfort, and inspiration to visitors.

Without you, none of it is possible.



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2022 DONOR IMPACT REPORT

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Fostering Miracles

BECAUSE OF *you...*

1.4 million

individuals throughout Western New York and Southern Ontario watched OLV's Masses on WGRZ-TV.

424

young people experienced a summer of faith and fun at Camp Turner, the highest number of participants since 2014.



47,050 donors supported Father Baker's ministries through OLV Charities.



12,000

children, teens, seniors, and families were served through the various programs at OLV Human Services.



778

young children with developmental delays or disabilities received evaluations and/or related services at OLVHS.



80+

children found safety in certified foster homes through OLVHS.



200

individuals with barriers to employment (mental and/or behavioral issues) were assisted via vocational training.



Donor-supported digital media projects were viewed more than **60,000 times** on our social media channels.



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SUPPORTING THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH



In its second year as a ministry of OLV Charities, 424 children and teens enjoyed a faith-filled summer at Camp Turner, a figure that represented a return to pre-pandemic registration levels and the highest number since 2014.

Thanks to the support of OLV Charities' benefactors, the Christian Leadership Institute (CLI) returned in 2022 after a two-year hiatus. CLI is a week-long program designed to unlock the potential of teens in leadership positions within their parishes.



Dozens of young professionals joined Father David in the Basilica for a pair of social events in 2022 that introduced them to Father Baker, his ongoing Cause for Canonization, and his legacy, the OLV organizations.



OLV Human Services

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SUPPORTING FAMILIES IN NEED

In an attempt to combat the growing scourge of homelessness in our region, OLVHS' Moore for Kids House became a welcome sanctuary for families in crisis in 2022.



Donor support totaling more than \$1 million led to the beginning of construction/renovation efforts at OLVHS' Rev UP Center. When completed, the facility will provide much-needed recreation and therapy space for children and teens with behavioral health concerns.



Improved accessibility for hundreds of wheelchair-bound clients was the reason behind major renovations of the main elevator at OLVHS' four-story, 790 Ridge Road building. Having been built more than 50 years ago, the former elevator had become unpredictable and dangerous.



SUPPORTING A PLACE OF PEACE & PRAYER



Several key construction projects inside and outside of OLV National Shrine & Basilica took place in 2022. Among them: the restoration of corroded frames on windows; exterior masonry, gutter and roof repairs; and the renovation of community space in the bottom floor.

The Basilica's five-year Centennial Celebration brought thousands of individuals through its doors in 2022. Activities included special Masses; organ recitals; concerts by local choral groups, the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra and Chorus; lectures; an outdoor painting event, a Jazz Mass and more! The Centennial Celebration pays tribute to the 100th anniversary of the five-year construction of OLV National Shrine & Basilica and will run through May of 2026.



Dear friends,

It seems like a simple assignment: sum up last year in just a few pages. But truthfully, it is hard to convey all that is being accomplished. The 12 months of 2022 were marked by an organization-wide commitment to the growth of Father Baker's ministry and a need to innovate and succeed in uncertain times.

When I look back on all that was done, I am deeply grateful to you. Through your unwavering support, you made it possible!

- You lent a compassionate hand to children, teens, and families experiencing trauma and need, allowing us to provide shelter for the homeless and hope to those battling mental and physical disabilities.
- You helped support and strengthen the youth of our Church through various programs—such as the week-long Christian Leadership Institute, the Walk By Faith Eucharistic Youth Conference, and the restorative summer experience at Camp Turner.
- You ensured that OLV National Shrine & Basilica continues to be a sanctuary of prayer, peace, and spiritual healing.

I hope this brief snapshot instills you with a sense of joy that comes from helping those in need, just as our saintly founder—Father Baker—did through his heroic life of service to those less fortunate. We remain grateful for the confidence you have placed in us, and humbly ask you to continue to support the OLV community and its efforts to make a difference in the lives entrusted to our care. Thank you!

Sincerely,
David J. Kersten

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