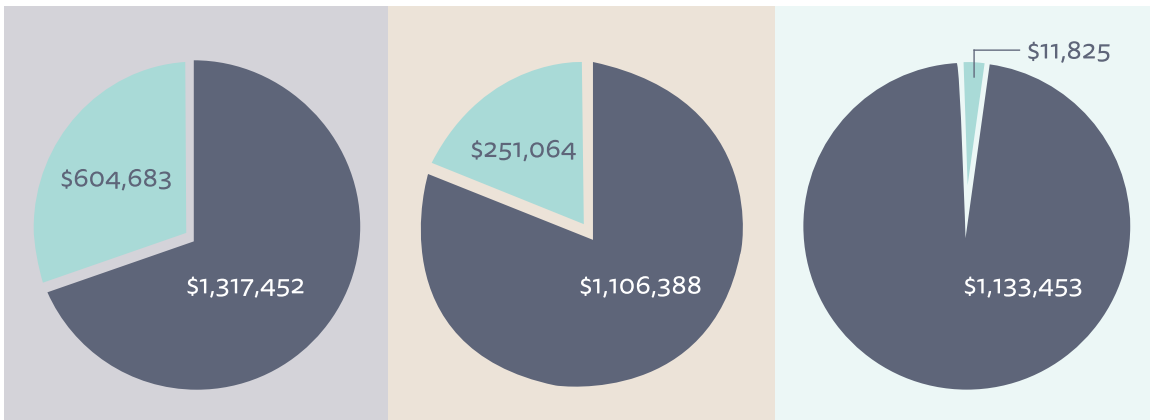




OLV Charities provides much-needed financial and in-kind support (critical business operations such as information technology, facilities and finance) to OLV Human Services and OLV National Shrine & Basilica. It also encourages spreading devotion of the Blessed Mother and supports Father Baker's Cause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



■ Funding Support ■ In-Kind Support

OLV Human Services	OLV National Shrine & Basilica	Faith Formation
Total Support	Total Support	Total Support

\$1,922,135 **\$1,357,452** **\$1,145,278**

Our Mission

Inspired by Father Nelson Baker's service to the poor, homeless and young, OLV Charities empowers its mission partners to thrive by:

- Engaging a growing network of relationships
- Securing financial resources
- Providing essential support services

Our Vision

We envision a future where ever-sustainable resources provide:

- Support for the poor
- Justice for the oppressed
- Hope for the troubled
- Courage for those in doubt

Each year, thousands of children, teens, adults, seniors and families come to our campus for strength. Our life-saving programs for those dealing with mental, physical and behavioral difficulties provide healing and hope. Our wondrous Basilica offers a spiritual sanctuary, quiet comfort and a place to be inspired. **Without you, none of it is possible.** To learn more about the OLV organizations, Venerable Nelson Baker's legacy of caring, check out our website, www.olvcharities.org.



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Story of You!
2020 DONOR IMPACT REPORT

Dear Friends,

Despite the unprecedented challenges of 2020, OLV Charities was able to weather the storm because of the unwavering confidence and support that each of our valued benefactors placed in us. *Because of you*, we were able to carry on Father Baker’s ministries and, for that, we are eternally grateful.

Moving forward, we hope you will continue on this journey with us. Your kindness has done so much. You have helped children in our foster care program reunite with their biological families. You have given teens and adults in our work-based learning programs the skills needed for a fruitful life. You have allowed students to receive the boost provided by the expert teachers and staff of our specialized schools. And you have made possible the spiritual encouragement and inspiration felt by all of those who come through the doors of OLV National Shrine & Basilica.

I humbly ask you to continue to give to OLV Charities as we make a difference in the lives of those we support. *By spreading goodness and inspiring greatness, we can accomplish the miraculous!*

Sincerely,

David J. Kersten
CEO, OLV Charities



2020

A year we won't soon forget.

Despite all of the challenges, anxieties and suffering, we choose to recall the *tremendous acts of compassion and generosity* shown by friends — like YOU — who enabled those who turn to OLV for strength to find what they needed.

Thank you!



<p>STEWARDED.</p> <p>Due to heavy rains, several areas of OLV Basilica needed immediate attention. The generosity of valued friends led to more than \$100,000 being raised to address failing drainage systems.</p>	<p>URGENT.</p> <p>The rise of the Coronavirus pandemic forced the Basilica to close and OLV Human Services’ children into a “new normal” of uncertainty. More than 3,000 friends rose to the challenge, providing more than \$250,000!</p>	<p>PREPARED.</p> <p>Nearly \$250,000 in commitments from benefactors and funders helped OLV Human Services purchase Mazurek’s Bakery. Through it, at-risk youth learn real-world job-readiness skills.</p>	<p>CONNECTED.</p> <p>Health and travel restrictions made staying connected a challenge. Our team made more than 7,000 phone calls and sent countless emails. Masses were live-streamed and in-person celebrations adhered to all guidelines.</p>	<p>HOPEFUL.</p> <p>OLV Basilica was chosen to be part of the National Fund for Sacred Places Preservation Program. Through it, the shrine is eligible to receive \$250,000 in matching capital funds for improvements to its structural integrity.</p>	<p>SECURE.</p> <p>Several security enhancements were installed within OLV Basilica late in the year, including 27 new, high-resolution video cameras.</p>	<p>JOYOUS.</p> <p>Donations of more than 650 Christmas presents were delivered to OLV Human Services’ needy children and families just in time for the holidays.</p>
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