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ANNUAL REPORT

Building Hope Together

Together, we bring hope, healing, and opportunity to individuals and families across Yolo and Solano counties.

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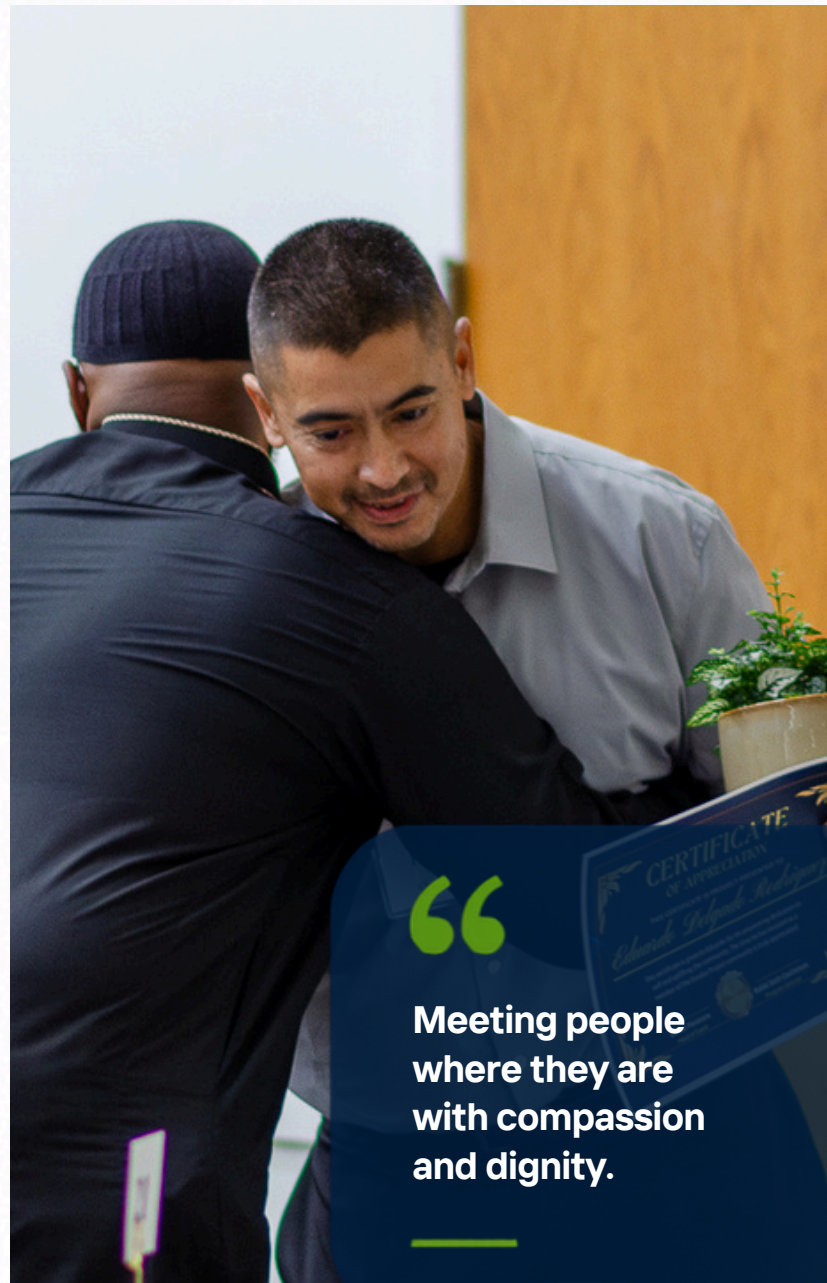
ABOUT

CATHOLIC CHARITIES YOLO-SOLANO

Catholic Charities of Yolo-Solano is more than a social service agency—it is a living expression of the Church's mission in action.

Inspired by the Holy Spirit and rooted in our Catholic faith, we are called to serve all people in need, not because they are Catholic, but because we are. Guided by compassion and a deep commitment to justice, we provide life-changing support to vulnerable individuals and families throughout Solano and Yolo counties.

Through programs like food access, nutrition education, immigration legal services, and disaster response, we bring hope, healing, and opportunity to those facing hardship.



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Meeting people where they are with compassion and dignity.



FOOD & NUTRITION

Providing food, nutrition education, and resources to strengthen healthy communities.



DISASTER SERVICES

Building resilient communities through disaster preparedness and clean air education.



IMMIGRATION LEGAL SERVICES

Providing trusted legal services that help immigrants and families build secure futures.



COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

Connecting individuals and families to resources that promote stability and self-sufficiency.

Together, we build a more just, compassionate, and thriving community for all.

OUR VISION & MISSION



OUR VISION

A community where all people are treated with dignity, have equal opportunities, and can thrive.



OUR MISSION

Inspired by Catholic social teaching, we provide compassionate services and advocate for justice to empower individuals and families in Yolo and Solano counties.

OUR COMMITMENT

Everything we do is guided by our core values:



COMPASSION

We meet people where they are with empathy and care.



JUSTICE

We work for a more just and equitable community.



DIGNITY

We honor the worth of every individual.



HOPE

We bring hope and opportunity to those facing hardship.



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As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace.

1 PETER 4:10

MESSAGE

FROM THE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

As I reflect on the past year, my heart is filled with gratitude for the opportunity to serve alongside such an incredible community of staff, volunteers, donors, partners, and supporters.

Together, we have been the hands and feet of Christ in our communities—walking with our neighbors, listening to their stories, and providing the resources and support they need to move forward with dignity and hope.

The work we do is more important than ever. Through every challenge and every blessing, your unwavering support has made it possible for Catholic Charities Yolo-Solano to continue offering life-changing services and to be a source of hope when it is needed most.

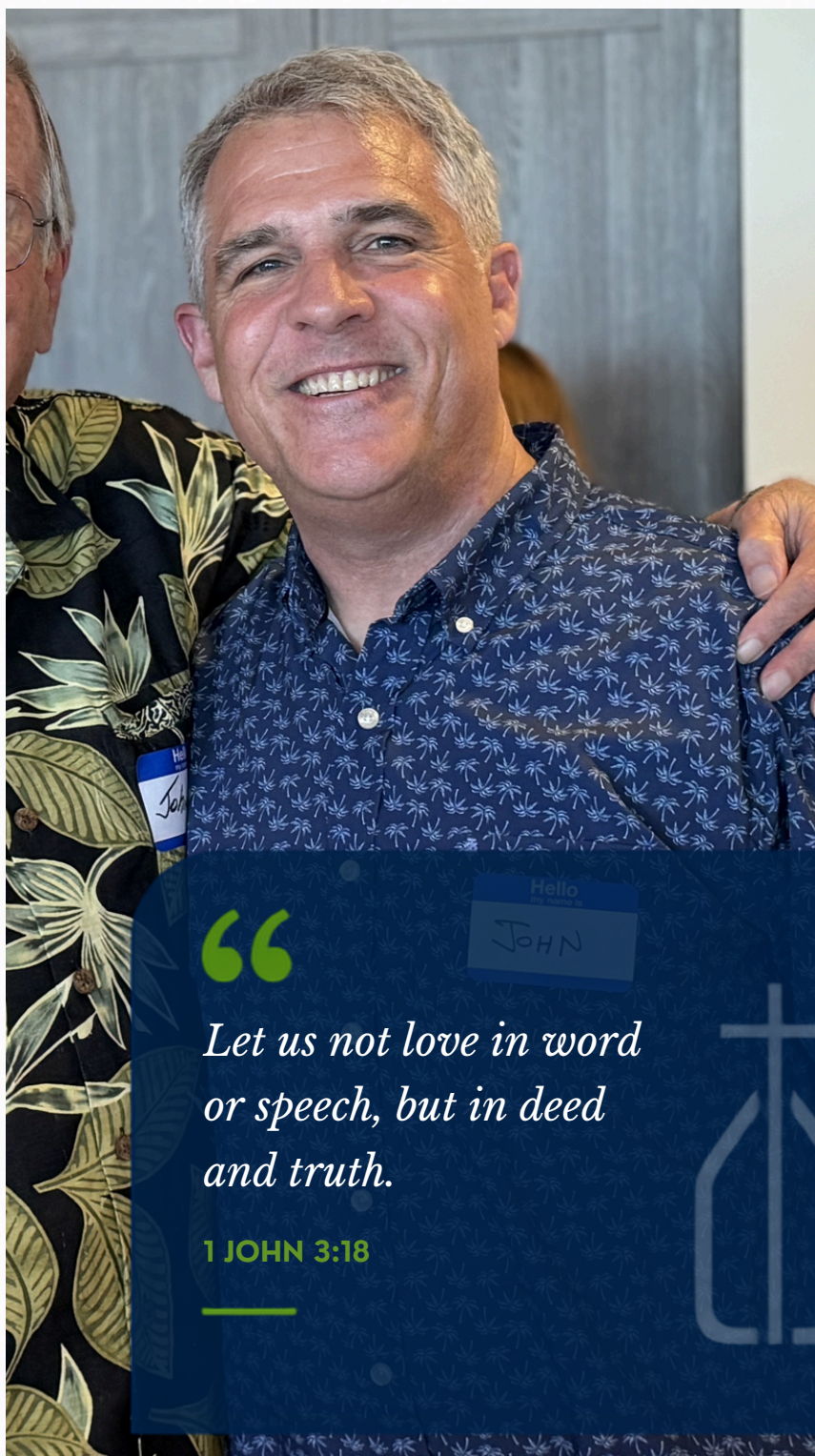
Thank you for believing in our mission and for making a difference in the lives of so many. We are truly building hope together.

In gratitude,

John Watkins

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Executive Director
Catholic Charities Yolo-Solano



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*Let us not love in word
or speech, but in deed
and truth.*

1 JOHN 3:18



A NOTE OF THANKS

To our dedicated staff and volunteers, our generous donors, our community partners, and the individuals and families we serve—thank you. You are the reason we can continue to bring hope, healing, and opportunity to those who need it most. **We could not do this without you.**

*Thank you for
being part of our
mission!*



IMMIGRATION LEGAL SERVICES

OUR SERVICES INCLUDE:



Family Petitions

Helping families stay together.



Naturalization

Guiding clients on their path to U.S. citizenship.



Humanitarian Relief

Including U-Visa, VAWA, T-Visa, and Asylum.



Work Authorization & DACA Renewals

Supporting individuals in maintaining their legal status.



Consultations & Referrals

Providing information and connections to help clients make informed decisions.

Our Immigration Legal Services (ILS) program provides compassionate, high-quality legal assistance to individuals and families navigating complex immigration processes. We walk alongside our clients with dignity and respect, helping them achieve stability, reunite with loved ones, and build a brighter future.

Ms Cabada & Husband Juan Peru

After completing her Adjustment of Status process with CCYS, she overcame several challenges along the way but ultimately achieved her goal of becoming a lawful permanent resident.

Receiving her Green Card means she can finally return to her home country and reunite with loved ones after many years apart. For years, she dreamed of traveling but was unable to because of her immigration status. Today, she can look forward to traveling freely and, in three years, taking the next step toward U.S. citizenship.



Ms Duron México

After more than 21 years of waiting, she finally achieved lawful permanent resident status through a family petition filed by her U.S. citizen child. Receiving her Green Card marked the end of a long journey and opened the door to new opportunities. Most importantly, she can now return to Mexico to reunite with family and loved ones she has not seen in many years.



TOTAL INDIVIDUAL CASES SERVED BY ILS PROGRAM

1,008

“The team at CCSY gave me hope when I felt like I had none. They treated me with so much respect and helped me achieve a dream I thought was impossible.
– ILS Client

BREAKDOWN OF SERVICES

ILS Services: 1,008 individuals served

INDIVIDUALS



T-1 & T-2

(Consults, I-90, RFE, Foia, etc.)

595



T-3 & T-4

(DACA, N-400, I-751, N-600)

237



T-5 & T-6

(U-VISA, VAWA, AOS, etc.)

176



TOTAL OUTREACH
CONTACTS/EDUCATION

9,919
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FOOD & NUTRITION

Our Food & Nutrition programs help ensure individuals and families have access to nutritious food, practical resources, and education that support long-term health and well-being. Through pantry distributions, nutrition education, and benefit enrollment assistance, we meet immediate needs today while empowering our community for a stronger tomorrow.

OUR SERVICES INCLUDE:



FOOD ACCESS & PANTRY SERVICES

Providing nutritious food to individuals and families from our client-choice pantry, mobile distributions, and community partnerships.



NUTRITION EDUCATION

Offering trauma-informed, bilingual nutrition classes and hands-on education to promote healthier lifestyles and informed choices.



CALFRESH ASSISTANCE

Helping individuals and families apply for CalFresh benefits and access additional resources.



FY 2025-2026 AT A GLANCE



TOTAL INDIVIDUALS SERVED
BY OUR DEPARTMENT

9,150

BREAKDOWN OF FOOD & NUTRITION SERVICES



7,884

INDIVIDUALS

Received Food Access/
Pantry Services



883

INDIVIDUALS

Participated in
Nutrition Education



383

INDIVIDUALS

Received CalFresh
Assistance

STORY OF IMPACT



John Hicks, who is currently experiencing homelessness, shared that the Fairfield Food Pantry has become an essential source of support. Before finding the pantry, he often struggled to have enough food to make it through the weekends. Today, the pantry provides enough nutritious food for him to eat consistently throughout the week. Reflecting on the difference it has made, John told staff, "This (Fairfield Food Pantry) has helped me so much. I am able to eat every day."

CHALLENGES WE FACED

The 2025-2026 fiscal year brought significant challenges for our program, most notably the loss of stable funding that had historically supported staffing and nutrition education. As a result, we experienced the wind down of our nutrition program and said goodbye to four highly impactful nutrition educators. At the same time, funding opportunities became increasingly limited and competitive, requiring our team to be flexible, innovative, and strategic in pursuing new resources to sustain services.

DISASTER SERVICES

Disaster Services helps build safer, more resilient communities by providing education and resources that empower individuals and families to prepare for emergencies and protect their health. Through partnerships and outreach, we deliver culturally and linguistically relevant information that promotes readiness before, during, and after disasters.

OUR SERVICES INCLUDE:



DISASTER PREPAREDNESS EDUCATION

Equipping individuals and families with the knowledge, tools, and resources to prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies.



CLEAN AIR EDUCATION

Raising awareness about air quality, wildfire smoke, extreme heat, and ways to protect health during environmental hazards.



COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION (CBO) EDUCATION

Partnering with trusted community organizations to deliver bilingual, culturally relevant disaster and environmental health education.



FY 2025-2026 AT A GLANCE



TOTAL ENGAGEMENTS BY DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM

12,338
TOTAL ENGAGEMENTS

BREAKDOWN OF SERVICES



Disaster Preparedness Education

7,000
ENGAGEMENTS



Clean Air Education

5,098
ENGAGEMENTS



Community-Based Organization (CBO) Education

240
ENGAGEMENTS

SUCCESS STORIES / EXAMPLES OF IMPACT

This year, Disaster Services expanded its community-based education model by integrating Clean Air Education into disaster preparedness programming. This allowed community members to learn not only how to prepare for emergencies, but also how to protect themselves and their families from hazards such as wildfire smoke, poor air quality, and extreme heat.

By delivering bilingual disaster preparedness and clean air education in trusted community spaces—including community organizations, migrant centers, libraries, and housing communities—we reduced barriers to participation and reached individuals who might not otherwise access traditional emergency preparedness programs.

BARRIERS AND CHALLENGES

One of the primary challenges this year was the continued need to reach community members who face barriers related to language, transportation, technology access, and access to reliable emergency and environmental health information. The shift toward online services and information has also created additional barriers for individuals with limited digital access or digital literacy.

Our community-based and bilingual education model helped address these challenges by bringing disaster preparedness and clean air education directly to trusted community spaces and providing information in accessible formats.

ONE YEAR AT A GLANCE

JULY 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026

Building stronger communities. Changing lives with compassion.



**TOTAL INDIVIDUALS
SERVED**

22,496+

Across all
programs



**TOTAL OUTREACH
CONTACTS/EDUCATION**

23,140

Building awareness
and providing support



**DEDICATED STAFF &
VOLUNTEERS**

50+

Committed to our
mission every day



**TWO OFFICES SERVING
OUR COMMUNITY**

**FAIRFIELD
WOODLAND**



**GENEROSITY IN
ACTION**

\$563,359

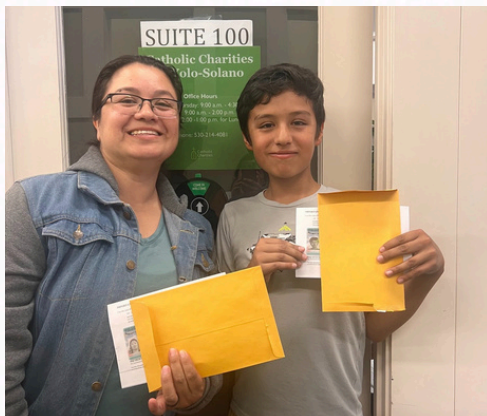
Raised through donor
support & partnerships

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



**IMMIGRATION LEGAL SERVICES
(ILS)**

- 1,008 individual cases served
- 9,919 outreach contacts/education
- Helping individuals and families achieve legal status and stability
- Services include naturalization, work permits, family petitions, U-Visa, DACA renewals, and more



**FOOD &
NUTRITION**

- 9,150 clients served
- 1,100+ grocery bags distributed through pop-ups
- Diaper Program in partnership with the Food Bank
- Nutrition education and CalFresh enrollment support
- Vallejo pantry and new food locker project



**DISASTER
SERVICES**

- 12,338 total engagements
- Disaster prepared education, clean air education, and CBO education
- Bringing bilingual education to trusted community spaces
- Empowering communities to prepare, respond, and recover together



TOGETHER, WE CREATE LASTING IMPACT

**Strengthening
individuals & families**

Providing resources
that promote stability
and self-sufficiency.

**Building Stronger
Communities**

Collaborating with partners
to address local needs and
create lasting change.

**Rooted in Faith &
Compassion**

Guided by Catholic values
to serve with dignity,
respect, and love.

**Hope for a Brighter
Tomorrow**

Empowering our community
to face challenges and build
a better future.

Thank you to our donors, partners, staff, and volunteers.

YOU MAKE OUR MISSION POSSIBLE!

FINANCIALS AT A GLANCE

FISCAL YEAR: JULY 1, 2025 – JUNE 30, 2026

Your generosity makes our mission possible.



REVENUE

\$2,146,803.44

REVENUE SOURCE	AMOUNT
 Donations	\$563,359.53
 Grants	\$1,477,151.74
 Other	\$106,292.17
TOTAL REVENUE	\$2,146,803.44



TOTAL EXPENSES

\$1,814,612.68

EXPENSE CATEGORY	AMOUNT
 Admin	\$288,973.21
 Development	\$103,356.35
 Food & Nutrition	\$652,104.50
 Disaster	\$292,114.40
 Immigration	\$411,966.24
 Community Support Services	\$66,097.98
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,814,612.68



Thank you to our donors, funders, partners, and community for your continued support and trust.

ACCOUNTABILITY & STEWARDSHIP

We are committed to responsible stewardship, transparency, and using resources wisely to make a meaningful and lasting impact in our community.

84.6%

OF EXPENSES DIRECTLY SUPPORT
OUR PROGRAMS & SERVICES

*Your support fuels our
mission every day.*

Together, we create hope and change lives.

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