Letter from the Director

Dear Friends,

“If you want different results, do not do the same things.”
—Albert Einstein

In many ways, this quote provides a good summary of the past year for St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities. Throughout 2017-18, we continually examined our surrounding community, the needs of those we serve and our own operations. The result was a year full of growth and new initiatives designed to allow us to provide more help, create more hope and serve more people than ever before.

We are so grateful for our generous donors, dedicated volunteers, passionate staff and excellent community partners. The impact you learn about over the next few pages is made possible with your support.

Blessings,

Mark Casper
Agency Director

Our Mission

To affirm the dignity of and respect for all human life by assisting individuals and families in need to achieve empowerment and self-sufficiency.

We are happy to report that 95.8 cents of every dollar donated to St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities goes directly to serve families in need.
In 2017-2018 St. Elizabeth took on several new initiatives, grew in many different areas to better serve those in need, and engaged with the community in ways we have not before. Here are a few of the highlights.

- Dedication of Holy Trinity Heritage Park
- Entered Kentucky Derby Festival Bed Races
- Developed and began culinary teaching kitchen
- Awarded Impact 100 Southern Indiana grant
- Hosted an Evening of Art in the Park
- Added school counseling services at St. John Paul II
- Supported living program client home renovation
- Started annual Marie’s community distribution program supply drive
- Hosted red carpet movie premiere of “Same Kind of Different As Me”
- Developed an active online adoption birthmother support group
Marie’s Community Distribution Program

- 797 families served
- 24.8% of new clients receiving services for the first time

CASA

- 36 new volunteers sworn in this year
- 74 dedicated CASA Volunteers
- 372 children served

Increase of 271% in the number of children served by our CASA program over the last 3 years

School Counseling

- serving 3 schools
- 705 children support to succeed
2017-18 Stats

Adoption Bridges of Kentuckiana

- Adoptive family home studies: 48
- Expectant parents served: 55
- Children placed: 13
- Provided professional services for finalized adoptions: 29

Supported Living Program

- Serving 17 consumers
- 12,226 hours of direct support

Residential Programs

- Women & Children’s Emergency Shelter:
  - Women: 58
  - Children: 55
- Family Stability Program:
  - Women: 12
  - Children: 16
- Affordable Supportive Housing:
  - Women: 7
  - Children: 7

- 86% of residents moved on to a permanent setting
- 90% maintained or increased income
Over our 39-year history, much of our work has focused on helping mothers resolve crisis and find some stability in their lives by providing shelter, case management and counseling. We have often wondered, is that really enough? How can we do more?

Our answer...a program designed to help disrupt the cycle of poverty by providing low income, homeless, or underemployed mothers the opportunity to learn basic skills needed to work in the foodservice industry. Culinary training would prepare these women to start a career, make a living wage and provide for themselves and their children.

The Inaugural Impact 100 Southern Indiana grant from the Women’s Foundation of Southern Indiana helped make this idea a reality. On September 26, 2017, St. Elizabeth presented our proposal for the Culinary Teaching Kitchen along with two other finalists. Impact 100 members selected St. Elizabeth to receive the $50,000 grant.

With funding in place, an advisory committee including agency staff, area chefs, caterers and dietitians got to work in developing a curriculum and designing two kitchens, one in the shelters where residents could also practice skills outside of class time and a commercial kitchen, where learning could take place with a typical restaurant/food service equipment layout.

Construction of the first kitchen was complete in the spring. With the help of guest instructors from 410 Bakery, Prosser, Terri Lynn’s Catering by Design and our volunteer Culinary Kitchen Coordinator, Lezli Stormes, MS, RD, our first class was completed in June 2018 with 100% of graduates finding a position in the culinary field. We are excited to offer future Culinary Teaching Kitchen sessions and continue to see the impact this training makes in the lives of our graduates.
A dedication mass was concelebrated by Fr. Sonny Day and Fr. Denis Quinkert on Wednesday, September 20, 2017, marking the opening of Holy Trinity Heritage Park in New Albany. Built in 1836, Holy Trinity was New Albany’s first Catholic Church. It was destroyed by a fire in December of 1975. St. Elizabeth moved our agency offices into the former Holy Trinity rectory building in 2013. Renovation on the lot next door began in Spring of 2017, transforming it into a beautiful, usable green space for our clients and the community to enjoy, while honoring and preserving the history of the site.

In addition to incorporating original Holy Trinity bronze bells, panes of stained glass and building capstones into the layout, the park also includes a Little Free Library, water feature and even a tiled wooden sculpture of St. Elizabeth’s dove logo, created by agency staff.

An anonymous donor gifted a beautiful limestone sculpture titled “Flee” to the park as a permanent fixture. In June, St. Elizabeth hosted An Evening of Art in the Park, inviting area artists and art lovers to come together to view and discuss pieces and enjoy Holy Trinity Heritage Park. “Flee” artist, William Kolok joined local sculptors Karen Terhune and Mike McCarthy in displaying pieces for the event and allowing them to stay on loan for several months. St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities hopes to make this an annual event and to continue rotating art pieces on display in the park for the public to enjoy.
**Revenues**

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![Pie chart showing revenue sources and their percentages.]
### Expenses

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**Net Profit (Loss)**  
*Includes Capital Projects in process*  

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