



Catholic Social Services is committed to rebuilding and restoring communities and families one day at a time. We are working to bless individuals and families who are struggling with homelessness and addiction. Our neighbors are still feeling the effects of the pandemic and recent flooding. Your prayers and donations are incredibly important to our mission and provide new life to individuals and families every day. Thank you!

This work cannot continue without you. Together, we can *provide help* and *create hope* to all of our neighbors in need. God Bless you.

Recovery Walk shows addiction can be overcome



"We are all God's children - some are sick, some are broken, but really, we're all broken, and only God can heal us," said walk participant Kathy Diering.

September is National Recovery Month, and dozens of supporters gathered at Mercy Hospice for an archdiocesan-sponsored walk to support addiction recovery. The clients, staff, and supporters of Mercy Hospice and Women of Hope, two of CSS's ministries that support women facing addiction, homelessness, and mental health challenges, walked through downtown Philadelphia on September 16th. The walk began with a blessing from Bishop John McIntyre and was punctuated throughout with encouraging honks from drivers; all which sent a positive message that showed people in recovery as happy, functioning, and part of society.

Your support of Mercy Hospice, Women of Hope, and Catholic Social Services allows these uplifting and lifesaving services to take place. During the pandemic, overdoses in the US have risen 30%. Thank you for helping us save lives every day and proving that recovery is possible.

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Important partners visit St. Rita Place



"Waiting lists are long and vacancies are scarce. St. Rita Place will stand as a true symbol of hope and healing on this prominent corner on Broad Street," said Heather Huot, Director of CHCS.

St. Rita Place, a new senior housing complex scheduled to open this fall, received some visitors this past month. US Rep. Dwight Evans, HUD Secretary Marcia Fudge, and Mayor Jim Kenney toured the new building to show support of

CSS's work to address the nation's severe shortage of affordable housing. The residence will house 46 income-eligible seniors and join Catholic Housing and Community Services' five existing senior living sites.

Your constant support and prayers allow us to continue to provide housing and services to seniors across the Philadelphia area. With your help, homelessness is decreasing in our city and our neighbors have a place to call home. Thank you!

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Your donations make the work of Catholic Social Services programs possible. Please give today to help transform the lives of thousands of people. Together we will continue *providing help* and *creating hope!*

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