



March 23, 2017

Letter to the Editor
c/o Cheryl Rafferty
Lake County News-Sun
613 Meadow Lane
Libertyville, IL 60048

Dear Editor,

We write today to extend a heartfelt thank you to the Lake County News Sun for your generous Help Them To Hope grant supporting our clients who depend on us for help and hope. It is because of support like yours that Lake County communities are able to remain strong during trying times and that those who are most vulnerable feel like they are not alone.

Catholic Charities mission is to provide compassionate, competent, and professional services that strengthen and support individuals, families, and communities based on the value and dignity of human life. Our services are inclusive, and provided to anyone regardless of religious affiliation or any other discriminatory factor. The services supported by your contribution are designed to help Lake County residents meet their immediate basic needs.

The programs that will benefit are our Emergency Assistance which provides housing, food, and access to community resources; our HIV/AIDS Case Management, where clients receive medical recommendations and adhere to care to maintain their health; and our Family Self-Sufficiency and Housing Case Management programs, which offer emergency financial assistance to prevent homelessness, as well as food and clothing.

In Lake County last year, we provided 56,219 residents with access to crucial services. This year, we are celebrating 70 years in Lake County and 100 years as an agency in Cook and Lake counties. We know that we wouldn't be where we are without the support of those around us. Thank you again, on behalf of all of us at Catholic Charities, and on behalf of the children, families, and individuals you have supported.

Sincerely,

Rev. Monsignor Michael M. Boland
Administrator, President and CEO

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