



Catholic Charities
RIO GRANDE VALLEY

2025 Annual Report

Generosity, Dedication and Compassion:
A Year of Extraordinary Impact



Letter from Sister Norma

Dear Friend of Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley,

Through your generosity, Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley (CCRGV) is offering hope, compassion, and dignity to those who come to us in times of crisis.

Our mission is to serve and to love. Your giving enables us to meet people in their most difficult moments — when families cannot pay rent or parents cannot feed their children, when a medical bill threatens to unravel months of stability, or when someone is left without a safe place to call home.

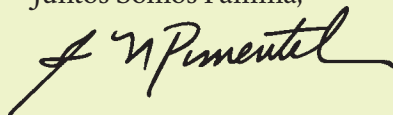
This year, our Humanitarian Resource Center has undergone a significant change. For many years, it stood as a place of welcome for asylum seekers arriving at our border, providing meals, showers, clothing, and rest before their onward journeys. Today, our Humanitarian Resource Center is expanding its embrace beyond the needs of asylum seekers to also focus on those experiencing homelessness here in the Rio Grande Valley. Meals, showers, clothing, respite ... they are visible reminders that our mission is rooted in the dignity of every human person, regardless of their status or circumstances.

With your support, we continue serving thousands of families across Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, and Willacy counties: covering medical bills, overdue rent and utilities, emergency food needs, and more.

This October, I was blessed with the opportunity to meet his Holiness, Pope Leo XIV. The Holy Father reminded me of something I hold close to my heart. We must never forget our humanity. In every person we encounter, we are invited to see Christ. His words affirmed the path we walk together — serving, protecting, accompanying.

Your prayers, your time, and your generosity make our work possible. Together, we are the hands and feet of Christ, showing compassion and offering hope where it is needed most. Let us continue to walk together — Camino Juntos — with courage and faith, ensuring that no one in our community is left behind.

Juntos Somos Familia,



Sister Norma



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A Hand Up in a Time of Crisis

When Jessica Garcia, a single mother of two, reached out to Catholic Charities, she was on the verge of losing her home. Unexpected medical bills and reduced work hours had left her two months behind on rent, and the fear of eviction weighed heavily on her. “I worked double shifts, skipped meals, and still it wasn’t enough,” Jessica recalled.

“Every night I prayed for a miracle because I didn’t know where my kids and I would go.”

Like so many hardworking families, Jessica found herself caught between rising costs and unforeseen hardship. The hardest part, she said, was trying to hide her fear: “I didn’t want my children to feel my pain.”

That was when she turned to Catholic Charities’ Rental Assistance Program. Our team quickly connected with her landlord and brought her rent account current within days. “When I got the call that the rent was paid, I literally dropped to my knees,” Jessica shared. “It felt like a thousand pounds had been lifted off my shoulders.”

Today, Jessica is working full-time, rebuilding her savings, and focused on providing stability for her children. “Because of this help, I kept my dignity and my home.”

Her story reminds us that behind every response we make with your financial support is a family, a future, and a chance to restore hope and security.

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Year in Review — Impact Highlights

In Fiscal Year 2025, CCRGV stood with families across the Rio Grande Valley during moments of crisis.



180,000+
individuals
served across
four counties



55,820
people
assisted to meet
basic needs
and responded
to acute needs



50,000
families
gained
increased
access to
nutritious food



40
households
supported
with recovery
assistance
from disasters



55,820
individuals
supported
to increase
income and
self-sufficiency



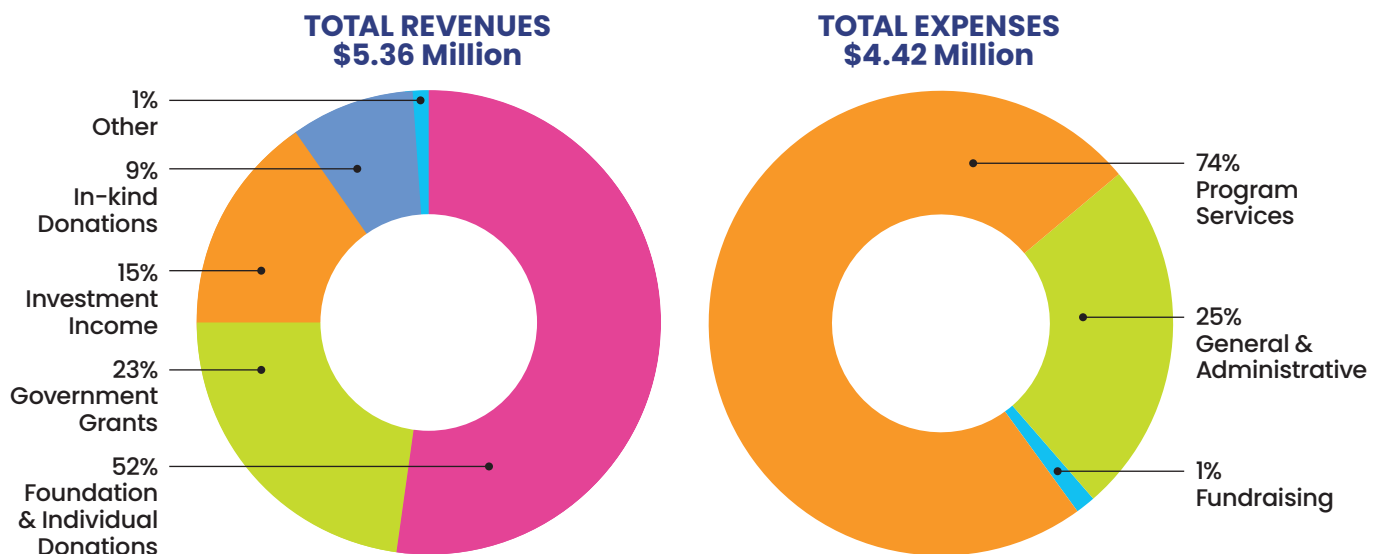
Thousands
provided with
shelter, case
management,
and emergency
assistance

Beyond the numbers, CCRGV offered a compassionate response to every person who walked through our doors, whether it was a meal, a safe place to stay, or a path toward stability.

Financial Summary

CCRGV ended Fiscal Year 2024–2025 in a strong financial position, reflecting prudent management of donors' continued generosity. Revenues reached \$5.36 million, driven by \$2.8 million in foundation and individual donations and \$1.2 million in government grants, complemented by investment income, in-kind donations and other sources. Total expenses were \$4.42 million, with more than 74% directly supporting program services that provide critical assistance to families in need.

We remain deeply committed to efficiency, transparency, and accountability in stewarding your gifts. Audited financial statements for Fiscal Year 2024 are available on our website.



The above financials are unaudited.

Donor Recognition

We are deeply grateful to our donors, volunteers, and staff whose generosity, dedication, and compassion made this year one of extraordinary impact. Together, you embody the heart of our mission and ensure that hope and dignity reach every person we serve.

Save the Date



CATHOLIC CHARITIES G A L A

Our Gala is planned for
February 19, 2026!

Please reserve your table
and celebrate our community.

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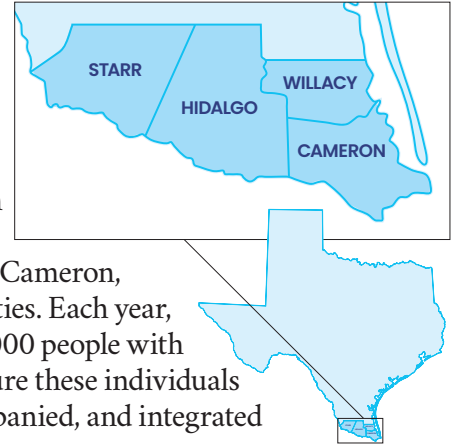
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Strengthening Our Mission for Tomorrow

This year, we welcomed new board member, Lupe Martinez whose wisdom and visionary leadership will help guide our efforts as we continue to serve those most in need. To ensure long-term sustainability, we also welcome Andrew Schaefer to lead our team's fundraising and donor engagement efforts as we deepen our commitment to building a strong, faithful, and resilient organization.

Our Mission and Vision

Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley (CCRGV) serves individuals and families in crisis, with a special focus on the poor and most vulnerable across Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, and Willacy counties. Each year, CCRGV reaches more than 180,000 people with vital support and services to ensure these individuals are: welcomed, protected, accompanied, and integrated in our community.



You Allow Us to Light the Way

Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley will continue to live out Bishop Flores' call to be the Rostro de Cristo — the face of Christ — for all who turn to us in 2026. With your help, we can assist more families struggling with rent, medical bills, and food insecurity, ensuring no child goes to bed hungry. With compassion, we will walk with neighbors not only in moments of crisis but along their journey toward stability. Thank you for enabling us to remain a beacon of hope and a sign of faith for all people across the Rio Grande Valley.



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