



## BENEFICIARIES

Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide necessary support to tens of thousands of people. These individuals are served by a myriad of organizations, programs and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The beneficiaries of the Catholic Charities Appeal are grouped into five key areas:

- Education
- Social Services
- Evangelization, Parish & Spiritual Life
- Clergy
- Local Mission Activities

To see a full listing of 2019 beneficiaries, please visit [catholiccharitiesappeal.org](http://catholiccharitiesappeal.org).



My daughter Madeline is six and she identifies as deaf. She was diagnosed with hearing loss at birth. Maddy was at another school for a while, and then I found Archbishop Ryan Academy for the Deaf. Within a week, I saw a major difference in her. I just love it here; I see a huge change in her attitude, her speech, her language and just her everyday letters and reading.

Being a parent of a special needs child is so hard, especially making such important decisions. This school is a reminder that I did make the right choice for my daughter.

The education at this school is the best, and knowing she is receiving a Catholic education is really important to me. Without the Catholic Charities Appeal, we wouldn't be able to afford this education for our daughter. As parents we want to give our children the best of everything, and all of the help really makes a difference.

Maddie is a firecracker - she loves art, music, dancing, reading and playing hockey. She loves Archbishop Ryan Academy for the Deaf. This school gives me hope that she will be able to succeed and do what she really wants to do in life.

Colleen, parent, Archbishop Ryan Academy for the Deaf

A PRE-K TO GRADE 8 CURRICULUM IN A BILINGUAL (ENGLISH AND AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE) ENVIRONMENT PREPARES STUDENTS FOR A LIFE OF SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR INCLUSION IN OTHER ARCHDIOCESAN ELEMENTARY CLASSES GIVE ARCHBISHOP RYAN ACADEMY STUDENTS A STRONG BACKGROUND IN COMMUNICATION



I find it very endearing that my life has truly come full circle. As a newborn, I was adopted through Catholic Social Services of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Everything I have been through led me to where I am right now - principal of St. Katherine Day School.

The students at St. Katharine Day School range from ages 5-21 years old with an I.Q. below 70. The main campus, located in Wynnewood, offers a program for students with multiple impairments, as well as a life skills program, which includes functional academics. The high school program, located at Archbishop John Carroll High School, offers a life skills program including functional academics and vocational training.

Our students are here because we provide a special education for them that a regular school can't provide. We have occupational therapists, physical therapists, personal care assistants and speech therapy. The parents choose this school so that we can provide these services to their children.

Many of our parents are single moms who have to work two jobs to afford tuition. The Catholic Charities Appeal helps offset the cost of tuition which is a huge help to our families. All 83 children who attend this school are supported by the CCA. The Appeal is really giving them hope, hope that their child can one day become an independent adult, and the best person they can be.

Lauren Bell, Principal, St. Katherine Day School

ST. KATHERINE DAY SCHOOL OPENED IN 1953. THEY WERE THE FIRST DAY SCHOOL FOR SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS IN THE UNITED STATES AND THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN PHILADELPHIA. ST. KATHERINE DAY SCHOOL STRIVES TO MEET THE UNIQUE NEEDS OF A DIVERSE STUDENT POPULATION. THEY ARE THE ONLY ARCHDIOCESAN SCHOOL THAT PROVIDES A SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS WITH MULTIPLE IMPAIRMENTS.

## WAYS TO GIVE

The Catholic Charities Appeal is recognized as a non-profit institution. As such, all gifts are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. It has its own Employer Identification Number (EIN) and receives a separate financial audit. Besides gifts of cash, donors to the 2019 Catholic Charities Appeal may contribute in many other ways, each offering tax advantages according to their circumstances:

- Pledge Gift
- Gifts of Cash
- Matching Gifts
- Electronic Fund
- Transfer (EFT)
- Gifts of Security
- Planned Gifts

For more information about any of the ways you can support the 2019 Catholic Charities Appeal, please call The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia at 215.587.5650 or email [cca@catholicfoundationphila.org](mailto:cca@catholicfoundationphila.org).