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Service To Twenty Thousand



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People are surprised to hear that the Catholic Charities organization of Monroe County alone includes seven agencies, engaging a total of 709 employees, among whom 108 are professional workers. Furthermore, each year some 20,000 individuals or families receive service from one or more of these agencies, reported Monsignor Donald J. Mulcahy, Director of Catholic Charities for the Diocese of Rochester.

This special tabloid on Catholic Charities will give a rather detailed explanation of the philosophy, purpose, programs and operation of the various agencies that come under the jurisdiction of Monsignor Mulcahy. It might be well, however, to get a bird's eye view of the operational cost of each, and for that reason the table that follows was prepared.

Income other than Community Chest allocations is based on fees for service, government reimbursement (for example from the Monroe County Department of Social Welfare) and contributions.

	Actual Budget 1955-1956	Community Chest Allocation 1955-1956	Proposed Budget 1956-1957
Catholic Family Center	\$ 889,960	\$342,566	\$ 949,645
DePaul Clinic	135,500	32,480	174,075
St. Ann's Home	1,917,518	107,250	2,170,169
St. Joseph's Villa	335,138	31,089	365,235
Catholic Youth Organization	196,907	74,461	233,148
Charles Settlement House	60,392	54,674	84,530
Geneese Settlement House	103,379	96,589	116,975
TOTAL	\$3,629,794	\$739,109	\$4,093,777

Camp Stella Maris

Although receiving no allocation from Community Chest, Camp Stella Maris comes under the jurisdiction of Catholic Charities. Located on Tonawanda Lake and staffed by carefully selected camp-staffers, Stella Maris has for many years provided a first camping experience to boys and girls from seven to fifteen years of age.

Although receiving no allocation from Community Chest, American Red Cross institutions for swimming, diving, boating, water skiing, canoeing, fishing and aquatic sports. Trail, outdoor life and dramatics round out a full schedule. Every precaution is taken to insure the safety of the campers.

Enrollments are for either one week or two weeks from June 28 to August 6, for boys; from August 7 to August 28 for girls. Reservations must be made. (For further information call Camp Secretary at 454-2630, 30 Chestnut Street.)



Volunteers Aid Charities Program



His elbows propped on the table top, his fists pressed tightly against his cheeks, his eyes like agates staring at the new game before him, Jimmy stands by a game table. "Why doesn't Mr. Bob help me? I want to play this new game, but I don't know how," Jimmy needs someone to help him. But who?

His hands and words demonstrating the basic moves of a checker game, Mr. Bob, the game room leader, stands by another table. "Jimmy is alone again at that table wanting to play that new game. I wish Mike and Greg would catch onto this so I can help him. Mr. Bob needs someone to help him. But who?"

Two individuals in the same predicament. But each with a different need, each deserving of assistance. But who realizes the magnitude of each particular need? Jimmy and Mr. Bob certainly. But who realizes the magnitude of the problem of overcrowded game rooms and understaffed agencies?

Rochester high schools and college students with the direction of school divisons in conjunction with the Red Cross have formed volunteer groups in each school to assist in abating these needs in many of the social agencies of the area. Rochester workers in industry, area teachers, and neighborhood residents have also answered the beckoning of their social consciences.

But who will take the place of these volunteers one day when they are unable to offer themselves? Perhaps someone else with the unselfish desire to help others; perhaps another who possesses the rare gift of sighting needs, the wants and desires of others and acts to alleviate them. Perhaps Jimmy.



Charity Units Also Operate In Auburn And Elmira

Besides the Catholic Family Center of Rochester, the Catholic Charities of Auburn, Elmira and other family service agencies in the diocese, but outside the County of Monroe. Both of these agencies render essentially the same services as the Family Center in Rochester.

Miss Mary Fitzgerald is the Executive Director of Catholic Family Service of Elmira and she works with staff of six at the Catholic Family Center of Auburn. Mr. Robert McAvoy, Executive Director, while small, has grown consistently from his inception several years ago.

