



CATHOLIC
Diocese of Fresno
CHARITIES

Dear Friends,

For most of us, we live our lives filled with work, family, friends and faith. What many of us might perceive as "normal" is having a family to go home to at night, a warm bed and a refrigerator filled with food for our children. But for thousands throughout our community, "normal" is something very different.

The spectrum between the two is so extreme yet it might only take a single life event to catapult you from one side to the other.

For those who feel like they have no one and for those living in crisis, today's society often turns away as if they are invisible. These encounters perpetuate the feeling of hopelessness. They live with a constant yearning to belong in search of someone who will listen, someone who will care and someone who will make them feel as though they matter.

For 238,671 people last year, they found hope at Catholic Charities. We are called to connect with those less fortunate and give them the faith that they need to believe in what might seem impossible. Our ability to do that continues through our generous volunteers, donors and people like you.

This is a time of renewed hope that we all have as Christians. It's a time to believe in the impossible in knowing that He is Risen. Please allow us to continue to be that hope for those who need it most.

May peace and blessings be with you and your family this Easter.

Jeff Negrete
Executive Director

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