Charity: A Core Principle



All the good works the Knights of Columbus do are informed by four core principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

The Ancaster #10009 Council of the Knights of Columbus is alive and well with a rich history of giving to the many areas of society both locally and internationally. Since 1989 more than \$314,000 has been donated to various groups by the Ancaster Council. Our spirit of volunteerism is driven by the knowledge of the good we can do one step at a time. Over the decades many fundraisers have provided tens of thousands of dollars to donate to various organizations, charities, causes, and projects that have helped to better the lives of those in our community and abroad.

The following is a condensed list of examples of many of those we have been able to help.

Community Organizations: Ancaster Food Drive, Good Shepherd Centre, Out of the Cold, Hamilton Food Share, Interval House, Neighbour to Neighbour, Mission Services, Bob Kemp Hospice, Crime Stoppers, Wesley Urban Ministries, Music at Fieldcote, McMaster Life is Beautiful, Hamilton Harbour Fishing Derby, Hamilton Waterfront Trust, Under the Willows, Habitat for Humanity Hamilton, Native Women's Shelter, Mark Preece House, Drummond House, Eva Rothwell Centre, Extend a Family, Ancaster Rotary Club, St. Patrick's "De Mazenod Door", Ancaster Heritage Days

Child and Youth Services: Catholic Children's Aid Society, Help a Child Smile, Ancaster Avalanche Girls Hockey, Ancaster Little League, CYO Camp Marydale, Camp Trillium, CityKidz, Ancaster PH Youth Special Olympics, St. Vincent de Paul Camp, St. Ann's Summer school, St. Ann's Parish Bible School, Liberty for Youth, Coats for Kids

Health Organizations: ALS Society of Canada, Crohn's and Colitis Foundation, National Ovarian Cancer Society, Canadian Diabetes Association, Heart and Stroke Foundation, Kidney Foundation, Arthritis Society, Victorian Order of Nurses, Birthright, Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund, Canadian Wheelchair Foundation

Religious Community Organizations: St. Martin's Manor, Catholic Christian Outreach, St. Joseph's Immigrant Workers Centre, St. Ann's Parish of Ancaster, Sisters of St. Joseph, Sisters of the Precious Blood, Catholic Missions of Canada, Serra Club, Martyr's Shrine, Wilma's Place, Redeemer College Pro-life, March for Life, Hamilton Right to Life, Campaign Life Coalition

Schools: Bishop Tonnos Secondary School, Cathedral High School, St. Thomas More Secondary School, St. Ann Elementary School, St. Joachim Elementary School, Holy Name of Mary Elementary School, Immaculate Conception Elementary School, St. Brigid Elementary School, St. Lawrence Elementary School, St. Margaret Mary Elementary School, Assumption High School

International Organizations: Development and Peace Africa, Haiti and Dominican Republic Relief Fund, Columbian Squires, The Afghanistan Repatriation Memorial Fund

If you would like to join our efforts to make our community a better place, please consider joining our Council of the Knights of Columbus. If you wish to support our efforts to continue to aid the many organizations of our community, please consider attending our next fundraising activity. And in the near future please consider directly contributing to our Council as a Charitable Organization to help us provide the funding to support some of our past interests and those yet to come.

