

The **St. Vincent** Times



Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

SVDP ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON HOUSTON COUNCIL

AUGUST 15TH ISSUE



BOARD ANNOUNCEMENT

Greetings Vincentians,

It is with mixed emotions that I share the news that Ann Schorno has announced that she will retire as our Executive Director effective May 30, 2025.

Gerardo Rivera
Board President

Please read the complete Official Board announcement [HERE](#) or click the image.

WE'RE HIRING!

Know someone who would be great for any of these roles? Spread the word! To view the job description and/or apply, click [HERE](#).

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Archdiocese of Galveston Houston is making progress towards the accomplishment of its **strategic plan's goals**. To build capacity, ensure consistency, and achieve the sustainability Vincentians want, four individuals are expected to onboard prior to the beginning of fiscal year 2025, which begins **October 1, 2024**.

Our seven districts have been coupled into 3 divisions with districts 1, 4, and 6 identified as the **"north"**, districts 2 and 7 identified as the **"south"**, and districts 3 and 5 identified as **"central"**. Each division will be assigned a **District Associate** to assist leadership with building the capacity needed to create healthy, vibrant Conferences and better serve the communities.



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- Bilingual Program Support Coordinator (**Full Time**)
- Bilingual Regional Program Associate - North Metro Houston Area (**Full Time**)
- Bilingual Regional Associate - South-west Houston/Galveston (**Full Time**)
- Program Facilitator (**Part-Time**)

[Apply Now](#)

The Getting Ahead Program will receive a part-time facilitator to support program growth and expansion. The Volunteer and Vincentian application process will be managed by a **Program Coordinator** who will also work alongside Safe Environment Coordinators to ensure compliance with the Archdiocesan CMG: Safe Haven mandate.

What's coming up?

REGISTER FOR AUGUST TRAININGS [HERE](#).

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AUG 15

ASSUMPTION OF
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

HOLY DAY

IMPORTANT

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AUG 22

GetFED WORKSHOP

ADAPTING TO A
CHANGING WORLD

ONLINE - 12:15 PM- 1:00 PM

IMPORTANT

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AUG 24

VINCENTIAN
SPIRITUAL GROWTH
RETREAT

St. Cecilia Catholic Church

9:00 AM- 12:00 PM

IMPACT STORY

*Underserved Communities
Initiative Grant*



HARDSHIP & HOPE

Submit you Underserved Communities
Impact Story today.

[SUBMIT MY STORY](#)

Our friend in need, who came to the pantry for food assistance for his family of six, has faced numerous challenges over the past year. After losing his steady job with a heavy equipment company due to a serious back injury, he has struggled with limited job opportunities but

Consequently, she lost their baby and required gall bladder surgery as well. Additionally, she suffered an eye injury due to airborne glass. This has caused her issues with lingering eye infections.

managed to work in various contract jobs to support his family and make ends meet.

His wife who was five months pregnant was hit by a car while the family was crossing the street with their two youngest children. His wife managed to push her children toward the sidewalk in front of her to sustain the majority of the impact.

Despite these hardships, including assisting with bedding for another family in need last year, he remains hopeful as he is set to start a full-time position as a paint contractor soon. He is grateful for the support from the **St. Thomas Moore Conference** for the support with the **Underserved Communities Grant**, which has been crucial in helping his family during these tough times.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul News


Strengthening Our SVDP Mission

In this Blog post, we discuss the enhancement to our organizational structure at the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP).

2 min read



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www.svdphouston.org 



Let's stay in**FORMED.**

CLICK HERE TO [**REGISTER**](#) FOR
WORKSHOPS AND TRAININGS

getFED WORKSHOPS

ADAPTING TO A CHANGING
WORLD

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22ND
(12:15 - 1:00 pm)

*Workshops conducted via
Zoom*

EFFECTIVE LOVE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH
(7:00 - 7:45 pm)

*Workshops conducted via
Zoom*

EFFECTIVE LOVE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER
26TH (12:15 - 1:00 pm)

*Workshops conducted via
Zoom*

SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24TH (9:00 AM – 12:00 PM.)

St. Cecilia Catholic Church- 11720 Joan of Arc Dr, Houston, TX 77024

Get ready for a **spiritual journey** where we dive into the Church's treasure chest of Contemplative Prayer! We'll start by making the leap from chatting with God (verbal prayer) to tuning in and listening to His whispers (contemplative prayer). This shift helps us deepen our love for God and naturally boost our love for others.

We'll take a **time-travel adventure** through two thousand years of Contemplative Prayer practices, exploring all the fascinating styles and stories. Get ready for an enriching experience that's sure to bring us all closer to God and each other!

This workshop is encouraged for **ALL VINCENTIANS**. It is not limited to only Spiritual Advisors.

For any questions regarding Formation events and workshops please [Ask Ozanam](#).

ASK OZANAM



RULE PART 1, ARTICLE 1.2

The Vocation of our Vincentians is to follow ***Christ through service*** to those in need and to bear witness to His compassionate and liberating love. Members show their commitments through ***person-person contact***.

1. Complete [Online Application](#)
2. Complete [CMG Safe Guarding Environment](#) Training
3. Begin Conference Stewardship

FOLLOW THESE STEPS TO BECOME A VINCENTIAN

WE HAVE NEW RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Share these resources with individuals and families who might benefit from them. Your assistance in distributing this information can make a significant difference to those in need.

How to apply for FEMA Assistance

1

Apply Online at [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://www.DisasterAssistance.gov).



2

On the [FEMA App](#) for mobile devices. You can also use the app's Disaster Recovery Center locator feature to find an open center nearby.



3

Call the FEMA Helpline at **1-800-621-3362**



Texans who have disaster related needs due to Hurricane Beryl may be eligible for disaster assistance under FEMA's Individuals and Households Program. Currently, residents living in **Brazoria, Chambers, Galveston, Harris, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Orange, Polk, San Jacinto, Walker** and **Wharton** counties may be eligible for disaster assistance.

Eligible individuals and families in these counties can receive a one-time \$750 Serious Needs Assistance payment for essential items like food, water, and medication. Displacement Assistance is also available to help with temporary housing needs if you cannot return home due to the disaster. Additionally, eligible survivors may receive funds for rental assistance, basic home repairs, personal property losses, and other Hurricane Beryl-related expenses.

Deadlines to apply:

Derecho : 8/15/24

Hurricane Beryl: 9/10/2024

FEMA ASSISTANCE



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FEMA DISASTER
ASSISTANCE



HARRIS COUNTY
RESOURCES FOR
CHILDREN & ADULTS



TEXAS CHILDREN'S
MOBILE CLINIC
PROGRAM



DISASTER
PREVENTION



STORM DAMAGE REPAIR
& RESTORATION
SERVICES



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