

## MINISTRIES IN ACTION

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## SHELTERS OF HOPE Partnering together

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg partnered with The Coalition for the Homeless of Pasco County to open Pasco Family Shelter. "This is what we do, this is our ministry as the Church. This is what we have been called to do

183,717 Shelter Meals Served

and this shelter is one more example of what can happen when we partner together to solve a need in our local communities," said Bishop Parkes.

The first-of-its-kind shelter in the county opened its doors to help homeless families get off the street on October 20, 2021. The shelter provides three meals a day, clothing, counselling, assistance finding work and more for the nine families living there at any given time. Providing these services allows families an opportunity to find permanent, stable housing so they can become self-sufficient.

"Keeping families together is going to make the family stronger and they're going to have a better chance at overcoming the obstacles together. The success of Catholic Charities is really predicated upon the community support and our largest base of support are faith providers and the Diocese of St. Petersburg. The clients walk away knowing that the community loves them, and that's something that the Diocese offers. They bring that love and support into the shelters." - Danielle Husband, Senior Director of Programs

## EMBRACING GOD'S CALL TO SERVE

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of St. Petersburg is one of six diocesan ministries that embrace God's call to serve, and actively carry out His mission and ministry with love, gratitude and concern for others while encouraging all to act. Through the Catholic Ministry Appeal, this

group of ministries will receive \$2.6 million of the total \$8.5 million appeal goal to carry out their good works.



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