



Knights of
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Charitable Fund™

IMPACT REPORT

Inspiring Catholics,
Empowering Catholic
Organizations

2024



REACHING NEW HEIGHTS: ACCOUNT CONTRIBUTIONS INCREASED BY **23.5%**



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



As I reflect on this past year, I see how far we've come in just a few short years. From an independent donor-advised fund program in 2017 to our affiliation with the world's premier lay Catholic men's organization, Knights of Columbus Charitable Fund (KCCF) has grown to over \$162 million assets under advisement with donors who wish to contribute to building the kingdom of Heaven here on Earth.

While charitable grants and donor-advised fund contributions dropped in 2024¹, KCCF donors continue to grow their charitable impact. In 2024, charitable grants from KCCF donor accounts more than doubled from the previous year while account contributions increased by 23.5%.

This past year, because of your generosity, KCCF provided much-needed financial support to over 1,400 charitable organizations and causes. You have unselfishly helped those most in need in communities around the world and we are blessed by your commitment.

Pax,

Dennis J. Gerber, Jr.
President
Knights of Columbus Charitable Fund

¹National Philanthropic Trust 2024 Donor-Advised Fund Report

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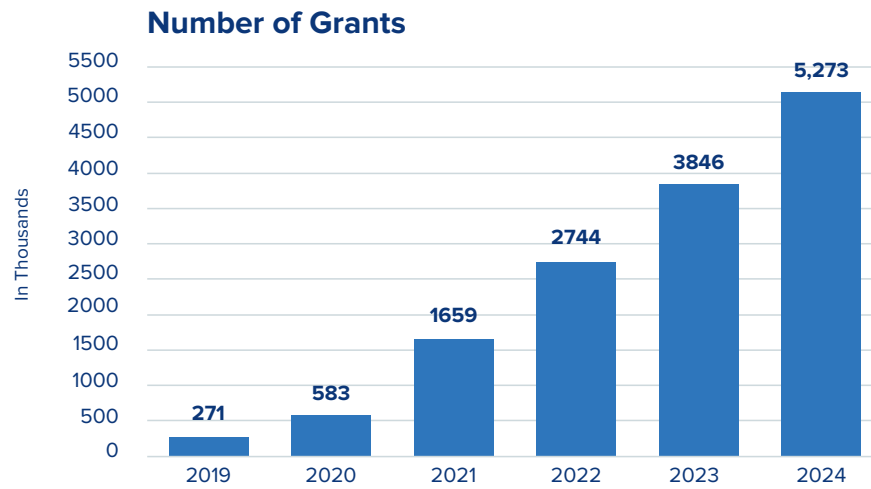
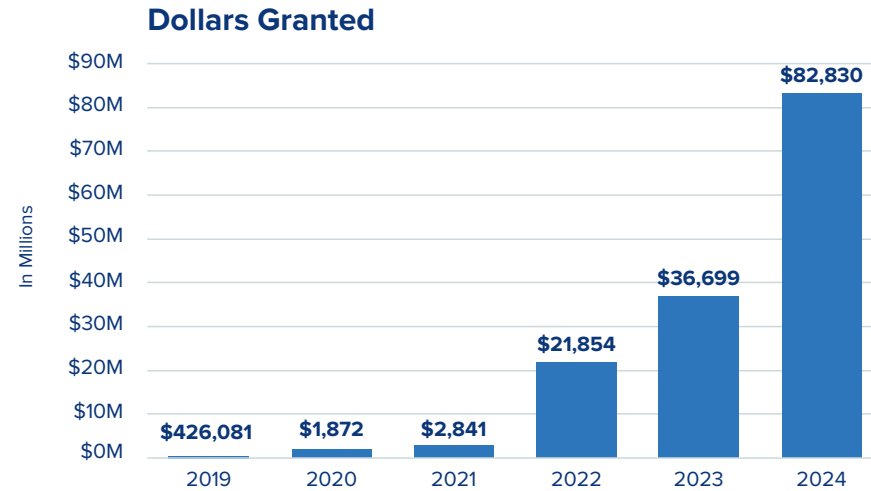
A MILESTONE YEAR

Since 2019, KCCF has helped individuals and institutions make charitable gifts in accordance with Catholic teaching. KCCF crossed a significant milestone in June 2024 by surpassing \$100 million in charitable grants to Catholic and other charitable organizations.



Reaching \$100 million in granting is a dream realized. And for KCCF to achieve this charitable impact in just five years is very encouraging. While this is an outstanding milestone, we believe it is just the first of many in our work of building a powerful new engine for supporting the Church and our communities.

– Dennis J. Gerber, Jr., President



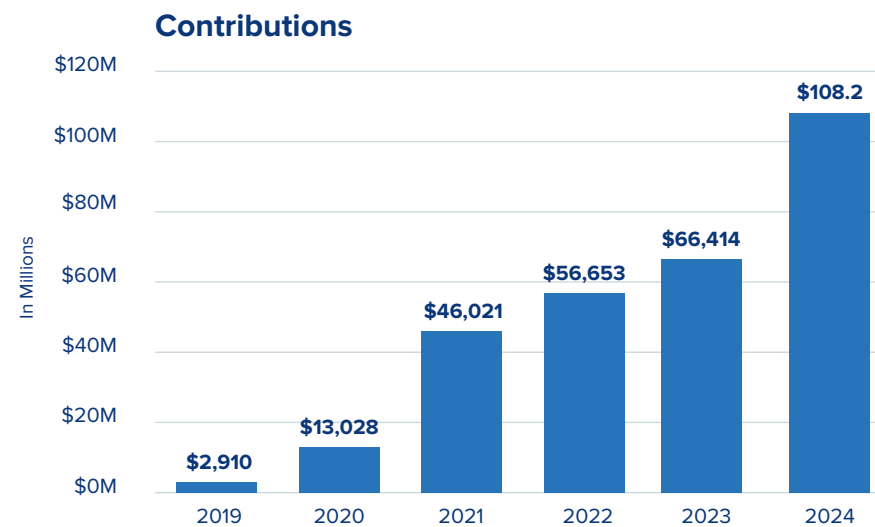
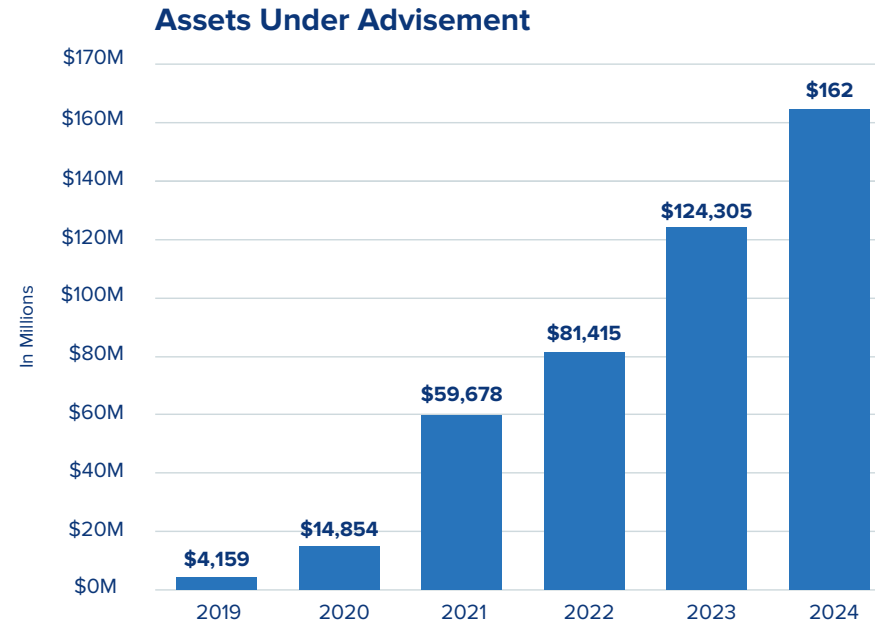
BREAKING BOUNDARIES TO ACHIEVE A REMARKABLE

\$100M

GROWING GENEROSITY

The growth of our fund and strength of our donor community can be attributed to an increase in the number of funds held as well as prudent investment strategies through Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors.

In 2024, donors contributed over \$108 million to their KCCF accounts.



ELEVATING SUCCESS:
IN JUST FIVE YEARS,
KCCF'S STRATEGIC
INVESTMENTS
INCREASED TO

\$162M

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

Tim and Pat Von Dohlen

I became aware of Knights of Columbus Charitable Fund and found that it was the answer to some things that I'd been looking to do. I have been fortunate to have financial success. There were years when I really wanted to be able to assemble more funds and not necessarily give them all away that particular year. But I also wanted to be able to give them away and retain some control over what charitable organizations our funds supported. So, as a result of that, I utilized the donor-advised fund through KCCF to assist me in making charitable gifts to the St. John Paul II Life Center, which is the Pregnancy Help Center and OBGYN practice my wife and I founded now 18 years ago.

It's been a great experience to work with KCCF, because I know that they have the same desire that calls us to be successful

and charitable within the church, within the community, and within other charitable organizations that we support. It's so important for our children and grandchildren to understand our values in life and see that we live our faith by our actions, not only by what we say. We start them at an early age, involving them in the Church, involving them in helping provide assistance, financial aid to the Church and other charities, and give them the opportunity to see the importance of giving back.

My hope for the future for Knights of Columbus Charitable Fund is to see it grow. Truly, KCCF can make a person's life more meaningful, more enjoyable, and bring them closer to Christ as they seek their ultimate goal of saving their soul.

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SHARING GOD'S LOVE TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

Ellen now has access to safe, clean water just minutes from her home in rural Malawi.

Ellen Phiri and her neighbors burst into songs of praise after visiting their village's well in rural Malawi. When the clapping and dancing were over, the grandmother said with a wide smile –

“ We are very grateful for the new borehole. All the waterborne diseases are no longer with us. We are very grateful to God for your kindness.



Tiange Sayire drinks clean water that is pumped easily from the new well in Chankholombe Village.

A lifesaving gift – a clean water source – was given to her community thanks to the work of her local diocese, made possible with support from groups like Cross Catholic Outreach, a Church-approved ministry that connects American Catholics with missions of charity serving the poor.

Cross Catholic Outreach is a significant charitable organization for KCCF donors with nearly 120 grants distributed over the last five years. Gifts from Knights of Columbus Charitable Fund and other supporters have allowed Cross Catholic Outreach to carry out its mission, bringing more than \$4 billion in total aid to Church missions in over 90 countries. Ministry partners include priests, sisters and lay ministers who

create outreach to meet the urgent needs of the poorest of the poor, as well as spiritual formation.

Throughout Malawi and neighboring Zambia, similar songs of praise have echoed across more than 100 rural villages because generous donors have enabled local Church ministries and dioceses to provide this type of critical work of charity – and sharing the good news of Jesus Christ – to those in need.

In total, in 2024, through the work of Cross Catholic Outreach alone, U.S. Catholics have helped close to 50,000 people receive fresh, clean water as well as an even more precious benefit – joyful hope.

For 77 years, Elizabeth Sayile Msiska, an elder in Chankholombe Village in Malawi and a devout Catholic, endured illness after illness from drinking river water. She used to make two long trips to the insect-ridden source each day, but had to cut back to a single trip – with one small bucket – because her knees could not handle the three-hour journey.



Elizabeth offers a prayer for compassionate Catholics who helped bring clean water to her village.

“ We used to share the same water source with wild animals, said Elizabeth. This has changed everything. We are healthy, the water is pure, and we can get clean water in just a matter of minutes.

Government officials in Zambia have confirmed that this gift has helped them to overcome one of their greatest health challenges. In 2024, people in rural Zambia suffered through the deadliest cholera outbreak in decades, leaving them living in fear over their water sources. The villages that have received new wells have reported zero cholera cases.

“ I wish to heartily thank everyone who provided funds for this much-needed water project, said Bishop Lungu of the Diocese of Chipata in Zambia. The boreholes have brought life into our communities and drastically reduced challenges our people face. I sincerely thank you for your solidarity.

Solidarity – the linking of U.S. Catholics with overseas ministries that relieve suffering and open up new horizons of opportunity – is at the heart of Cross Catholic Outreach's mission. It was founded in 2001 to mobilize the global Church to transform the poor and their communities materially and spiritually for the glory of Jesus Christ.



Most Reverend George C.Z. Lungu, Bishop of Chipata, Zambia.

“ I have personally visited most of the sites where projects have been implemented, and the people are very grateful – full of enthusiasm and dynamism, said Bishop Martin Anwel Mtumbuka at the Diocese of Karonga in Malawi. You can see it, and you can feel it. Know that we are praying for you as you continue to pray for us.

SUPPORTING KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCILS

Knights of Columbus Charitable Fund has given our Council a vehicle to take an underused asset – our building that we have owned for 100 years – and convert it into a fund that can support worthy initiatives in our community for the next 100 years. We’ve already been able to fund an expansion of our religious education program for our youth and we’ve created a fund at our parish that has been enhancing our sense of community. To do this, we needed a safe place to store the funds we received from the sale of our building. Knights of Columbus Charitable Fund has provided us with this safe haven. It is comforting to know that the proceeds from the sale of our building – a building that was purchased by our Brother Knights long before we were born – will continue to be used to support great Catholic causes long after we have passed on.

Thank you Knights of Columbus Charitable Fund for making this possible!

Peter

Peter – Deputy Grand Knight
Loretto Council 536



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At Knights of Columbus Charitable Fund, we combine our passion for generosity with our foundation of faith. Because of a shared commitment to our Catholic beliefs, our charitable donors are able to make an impact both in their local communities and around the world.

Our mission is to inspire Catholics and empower Catholic organizations. We believe that being good stewards of the gifts we have been given means growing in our faith and giving generously. KCCF strives to turn donors into philanthropists and make generosity accessible to everyone.



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