

Dear Friends of Saint Charles Caritas, *Charity on the Border*:

Thank God for all the generous individuals who supported, volunteered and donated for 12 years to the Saint Charles Caritas. This March is the Saint Charles Caritas 12 year anniversary. We pray to God for your blessings, graces, good health and peace. Thank God for you kind hearted people!

April 13, Saturday starting at 8am is our visit to Casa Eudes, home for girls. There are about 40 children and teenagers, 5 nuns and 13 volunteers. Please bring your passport and bottled water. We are going to carpool and park the cars at the Otay Mesa border. We will pitch in \$3 for the van of the nuns coming back to Otay. Please confirm if you want to volunteer by sending me an email or leaving a message on the phone.

We thank God for Susan Guenzel's generosity. She joined us last Sunday. She is responsible for the additional food for the charities in TJ this month. Thank you so much Susan! She has been with this charity for many, many years from North Park. Please continue to pray for her complete healing and good health. Also for the healing of Thomas Park and Paul Bell.

We thank Patrick Mattis for his donation of 4 big cans of Nido milk. These went to Casa de Cuna, Santa Teresita and 2 for Madre Rita. Thank you for all of your drop off donations. These were equally divided to all 5 charities. Sarah Warren Bajo donated several boxes of diapers for Madre Rita, home for Single Mothers.

Thank you so much... Fr. Jim Bahash, pastor of St. Charles, Fr. Arnold Tadena and Fr. Burt Boudoin for their support and announcements after their masses. Thank you, Deacon Ken & Tina Montoya, Deacon Mick & Hilda Dennison and Sister Elizabeth Wekall for their donations.

Volunteers corner:

Thank you so much to all our beloved 33 volunteers last Caritas Day, 03/17 to 03/18/2013: Perly Shous, Janiley Camarista, Blanca Mendez, Reyna Sanchez, Sister Pauline Dibb, Joe Bajo, Bob Piccola, Christine Phillips, Althea Jones, Lita Velasquez, Erika Dela Mora, from Birthline: the Corrao family: Tricia, Pete, Mira &, Tiffany, Marti Mendivil, Anna Ruffo, Cindy Perez, Yasmin Bedoy and Sharon, dir. of Birthline from Kearny Mesa, the Ancheta family, 9 nuns from TJ. Although, Jack Stroh was not at the Caritas Day, we thank him for the lunch donation for all the nuns and volunteers. Also the remaining balance, I purchased on behalf of Jack, 3 boxes of pizza during the Costco buy of food for the nuns and volunteers. Thank you Jack!

March 23, Saturday was the Costco buy of food for the charities from TJ. Thank you volunteers: Sarah Warren Bajo, Joe Bajo and Blanca Mendez.

Picture 1: 03-17-13 nuns and volunteers posed for the 12 year anniversary of Saint Charles Caritas: the nuns in the 1st row with Christine Phillips, 2nd row from left to right:

Janiley Camarista, Blanca Mendez, Joe Bajo (back row), Susan Guenzel, Merlyn Baker, Reyna Sanchez and Perly Shous. **Picture 2:** the nuns in front of St. Charles Church & 1. 5 Mother Superiors from 5 charity institutions helped us on Sunday, Caritas Day.



Please see below the distribution for March 2013 to all 7 charities. 100% of your donations went to buy basic food, some cleaning products and basic necessities.

		March 2013
Casa de Cuna	Home for poor small children 1 to 6 years old	\$ (500.26)
Santa Teresita	Home for Girls (3 months-16 years old)	\$ (505.03)
Casa Eudes	Home for Girls (6-20 years old)	\$ (517.53)
Asilo de Beato Juan Pablo	Home for the Elderly	\$ (529.12)
Madre Rita	Home for Single Mothers (as young as 14 years old)	\$ (221.54)
Birthline of Chula Vista	Serving mothers for their needs	\$ (500.00)
Pastoral Charity Fund	c/o Fr. Jim Bahash of St. Charles	\$ (500.00)
Special Projects:		
Visited Santa Teresita	served spaghetti w/ hot dog, juices, bread rolls, cake and ice cream	\$ (238.60)
TJ Charities: additional food (equally divided to 5 TJ charities)	bags, boxes and cans of: rice, oranges, carrots, lettuce, spinach, bananas, eggs, ramen, broccoli, spinach, romain, leg chicken, bouillon, Hominy, potatoes and pasta	\$ (1,063.57)
March 2013 Total Disbursements		\$ (4,575.65)

If you would like to see the events that the Caritas had, please click the web site below and click Saint Charles Caritas, scroll down and open each email updates of the Caritas.

[May you all have a peaceful, restful and blessed days!](#)

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