



Helping Children through the StudyTime Program

Inspired by Gospel Values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a Catholic lay organization that serves those in need.

Our members, known as Vincentians, are united by a spirit of poverty, humility and sharing, and nourished by prayer and reflection.

Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice. We collaborate with other people of good will in fighting both the effects and causes of poverty.

Vincentian Values

- Holiness of Life
- Service to the Poor
- Humility
- Simplicity
- Charity
- The Community of Faith

Our Calling:

- Feed the hungry*
- Quench the thirsty*
- Clothe the naked*
- Heal the Sick*
- Befriend the Stranger*
- Visit the Incarcerated*

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Invitation to Serve



Society of



St. Vincent de Paul

NORTH TEXAS

Our Story

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul began in a college debate in Paris, France. In 1833, Frédéric Ozanam, a 20 year old student, was asked what he and his fellow Catholic students were doing personally to help the poor in Paris. Taking the question to heart, Ozanam and six of his peers formed the first “Conference of Charity” on April 23, 1833.



Frédéric Ozanam

This group visited the poor in their homes, providing them with needed aid and assistance. Ozanam adopted the name of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul in honor of their patron saint, who had dedicated his life to serving the poor in 16th Century France.

Within a few years, the original group grew to over 2,000 members and spread to 15 other cities and towns in France. Today, the Society has a presence in almost every country in the world and over a million volunteers.



Volunteer Service at the St. Vincent Center

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

We Serve Those in Need:

The Society offers both short-term crisis relief and long-term assistance to those who call. Below are a few of the ways we help neighbors in need in our communities.

Emergency Aid

Vincentians make thousands of home visits every year in order to experience first-hand every person’s situation and to evaluate their needs at an individual level. We provide rent and utility assistance, food and hygiene products through our local parish conferences. We also provide referrals to other groups that can help. Most importantly, we make a compassionate offer of friendship to those we meet.

Systemic Change

Our regional systemic change programs address the root causes of poverty and empower our neighbors to transform their lives.

- SVdP Pharmacy: provides free prescription medication for those without insurance
- MiniLoan Program: offers payday loan refinancing, payday loan alternatives, financial coaching and budgeting support for 1 year
- StudyTime provides after school tutoring and academic support for K-8 students and their families

National Programs

National Society programs like House-in-a-box provides basic household furnishings to those who have lost their homes to disaster. In addition, our Back2School program provides backpacks filled with school supplies, coupons and access to discounted clothing and uniforms

Thrift Stores

Proceeds from our Thrift Stores support the ability for conferences to give financial aid, and fund our regional programs.

Get Involved

Become a Member

Any person of good will can join the Society, regardless of their faith or creed. To participate in Home Visits requires some training and meeting Safe Environment Requirements.

Become a Volunteer

We are always looking for more people willing to lend some of their time and talent to our many programs. From tutoring children to delivering disaster relief to lending a hand at the Thrift Stores, there are plenty of possibilities for those who wish to help.

Become a Donor

There are multiple ways to contribute to the Society as a donor:

- **Give Supplies**

food and hygiene products to our food pantries, and gently used household and clothing items to our Thrift Stores

- **Donate Your Old Vehicle**

Through our partnership with a national vendor, the proceeds from the sale of your used vehicle can directly benefit our community in North Texas!

- **Make a Financial Gift**

Every dollar you give to the Society supports:

1. The ability for conferences to offer emergency aid,
2. Marketing efforts to spread the word about and help more people
3. Our programs which transform lives!

To Get Involved as a volunteer or to make a donation, visit our website:

www.svdpdallas.org