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Appreciation
January 1 to December 31, 2016

Sisters of the Presentation
Dubuque, Iowa
Office of Partners in Mission
2016 Financial Report

The goal of the Partners in Mission Office is to enable the Presentation community to minister today and to be prepared for the ministries of tomorrow through partnership and collaboration with those who share in the mission of the Sisters of the Presentation.

Gifts Received: January 1 - December 31, 2016

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Sources of Gifts
- Annual Appeal
- Presentation Doorways
- Estates
- Guest Gifts (Hospitality)
- Memorials
- Monthly Giving
- On-line Giving
- Special Occasion Gifts
- Unsolicited Gifts

In 2016, more than $0.93 of every dollar given to the Sisters of the Presentation went directly to support mission and ministry.

2016 Bequest Gifts
We are grateful for the careful estate planning of our deceased partner in mission, Reverend James M. Sayers. Father Sayers included an estate gift to the Sisters of the Presentation in his will and trust this past year.

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Cover photos: Clockwise: Left to right: Presentation Associate Deb Jasper, Sister Beth Driscoll and Sister Anita Therese Hayes, BVM; Sister St. James Lickteig (middle) with Vietnamese sisters, Nuong Bui, LHC and Huyen Phan, LHC; Sister Dolores Moes with former Dubuque Rescue Mission resident Jayme Schmitt; Sisters Jessi Beck and Mary Therese Krueger; Sister Mary Lou Specha with special friend; Sister Benjamin Duschner with Gertrude McDermott from River Bend Retirement Community.
We whole-heartedly thank the following individuals and organizations for their generous support of Presentation life and ministry in 2016. Your partnership is vital to our ministry. Because of the ongoing support of you, our partners, we, through presence, service, hospitality and support in 10 states, the District of Columbia and Bolivia, have been able to help many people who would not otherwise have received assistance. We simply could not do the work that we do without your partnership and prayers. You are remembered with special gratitude in the daily prayers and ministry of the Sisters of the Presentation. Thank you for being Presentation partners in mission!

An asterisk (*) is placed behind the names of those individuals who have died. We include their names in gratitude for their faithful friendship and commitment to the Sisters of the Presentation and to honor their memory.
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Fierst Family

We can’t thank all of you enough for the hospitality you showed us, but even more importantly for the memories you gave us and the knowledge you empowered us with – about Aunt Sophie (Sister Conpeta Joseph Milinski), the impact she made with her life and the mission and role of the Presentation Sisters – we are in awe.

With love and gratitude,
Barbara, Tim, Angela, Matt and Ava Sophia Fierst

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Taking Advocacy to the National Level

The mission of the Coalition on Human Needs (CHN) in Washington, D.C. is to promote public policies that address the needs of low-income and other vulnerable populations. As CHN’s Director of Public Policy, Sister Richelle Friedman knows that her work is aligned with the mission and vision of the Sisters of the Presentation. “Like Nano, I dream of a better world, a world working for greater economic justice for people who are poor,” explains Richelle.

According to National Alliance to End Homelessness, “About 564,708 people experience homelessness on any given night in the United States.” This means over half a million people are living in shelters or in places not meant for human habitation, which could be defined as homeless. Catholic social justice teachings assert that shelter, food, medical care and basic education are human rights. Lack of affordable housing for those in our country with the lowest incomes has become an overwhelming problem, demanding a much greater response from the federal and local governments. Too many spend more than half of their income on rent and utilities.

Sister Richelle advocates on Capitol Hill for funding for a wide range of anti-poverty programs, all of which work together to meet the needs of low-income children, families, persons with disabilities and other vulnerable people who disproportionately are persons of color. Research shows that when low-income families with children are provided help in paying rent, the result is less homelessness, less family separation, less psychological distress, less domestic violence, fewer drug and alcohol problems, more consistent school attendance, less food insecurity and fewer behavioral problems of children.

Questions all of us might ask: What is the reality for low-income families in the neighborhoods in my town/city or the surrounding rural area? What are the greatest needs of the most vulnerable in my community? How might I get involved in helping to address those needs? National organizations like the Coalition on Human Needs provide excellent information, educational materials, as well as advocacy opportunities.
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Robert Mace
I'm inspired by Presentation
Foundress Nano Nagle's legacy
of unparalleled courage and
love for God and humanity,
especially the most oppressed
and forgotten ones.

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Over six years ago, people of faith convened around an issue facing countless families in the New Orleans community – homelessness. The growing number of people experiencing homelessness increased to 70 percent after Hurricane Katrina. The number of places available to house families in crisis were few compared to the need. After numerous meetings with existing providers, conducting research around the need and consulting for endless hours, Hotel Hope, a nonprofit hotel serving homeless women and children, was established.

According to the National Alliance to End Homelessness, "While circumstances can vary, the main reason people experience homelessness is because they cannot find housing they can afford." Presentation Sisters Julie Marsh and Mary Lou Specha build pathways from homelessness to homeownership at Hotel Hope. Sister Mary Lou expresses, “We plan to move families from homelessness to self-sufficiency through a three stage service model that involves providing crisis intervention services, residential stability and help in achieving economic self-sufficiency.”

As director of operations, Sister Julie manages services and facilities and assists families in finding housing in New Orleans while Sister Mary Lou Specha, executive director, provides leadership and administration through her career devoted to working for systemic change. Both sisters are motivated by Nano’s passion, “Hotel Hope believes in keeping families together. Our rooms will provide a safe and comfortable space where families can stay until a permanent residence is secured.” In February 2017, Hotel Hope opened its doors to its first family.

Nano Nagle had a tremendous sense of mission and purpose in life for those who were poor and living on the fringe of society. Sisters Julie and Mary Lou find their ministry to be an extension of Nano’s passion.
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One of Nano Nagle’s earliest recounted ventures occurred on Christmas Day, 1777. Nano, foundress of the Sisters of the Presentation, invited 50 less fortunate to dinner. She and her sisters served them and committed to do the same thing the following year. The Sisters of the Presentation often ask themselves, “What would Nano do? And how do we continue to live Nano’s legacy?”

Sister Anne McCormick expresses, “We look for ways to continue Nano’s work and involve the sisters in activities and community outreach, offering compassion and hospitality to all.”

The tradition Nano set 240 years ago is still carried out today. Sisters Anne and Hermann Platt coordinate a group of volunteers (sisters, associates and friends) to organize and plan a holiday meal served at the Sisters of the Presentation for the residents at the Dubuque Rescue Mission, Hope House and St. John Lutheran Church – Almost Home. These organizations provide shelter, services and support to our neighbors in need of beds, clothing and connection to resources.

Sisters Anne and Hermann have created a circle of support to carry out this special day. Sister Hermann explains some of the process, “We know we can’t do this alone. In support of our directional statement to foster partnerships and reverence relationships, we look to this as our motivation to host the meal and provide necessities to our guests year after year. We work with Theisen’s Home Farm and Auto for the coats, gloves and socks. Sister Louise Scieszinski crochets all the scarves. I knit the hats. Hy-Vee provides the tote bags to hold the gifts. Many individuals donate money for gift items to be purchased. Volunteers stuff the bags. Presentation staff prepare and serve the meal.”

Outreach continues throughout the year. Sisters, associates, employees and friends continue their involvement with people who are homeless in the community, such as preparing meals, assisting in the food pantry, volunteering at shelters, working with veterans and providing advocacy, service and hospitality.
Challenged by foundress, Nano Nagle, to go “one pace beyond,” the Sisters of the Presentation set aside time every five years to discuss the needs of the church and world. In 2013, the Presentation Directional Statement evolved through dialogue, listening and prayer. We invite you to partner with us, meet needs in your part of the world and keep Nano’s dream alive.

**Directional Statement**

Ignited by the fire of God’s love and impelled by the legacy of Nano Nagle, we, the Sisters of the Presentation of Dubuque, participate in the evolving consciousness of the cosmos by

- reverencing relationships
- celebrating unity
- engaging contemplation and
- fostering partnerships

...to transform ourselves and our world.

*January 2013*

**Commitments**

We promise to:

- promote direct ministry with people made poor,
- facilitate education and advocacy on behalf of people without options,
- support sustainability and systemic change for the common good.

The support of our partners has allowed the Sisters of the Presentation to serve in various ministries within 10 states, the District of Columbia and Bolivia. Our donors reside in 40 states, Canada and Ireland.