

Centro Rendu of St. Vincent de Paul



PROGRAM BROCHURE

Centro Rendu works to empower Hispanic/Latino immigrant families by providing culturally relevant programming, a fully bilingual staff, and community-informed service design:

- early childhood development supports
- no-barrier access to educational opportunities
- diversion programs for at-risk Latino youth
- rent & utility assistance for families facing eviction
- case management & systems navigation
- culturally-centered events and activities

Last year, Centro Rendu touched over **4,300 lives** through social service support for families who are facing financial challenges, cultural and linguistic isolation, and significant inequalities in income, education, employment, and access to basic services.

**Opportunities
for a brighter
future.**

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CENTRO RENDU

Provides vital programs for adult education, at-risk youth, early childhood, and employment for immigrant families.

At St Vincent de Paul of Seattle | King County We deliver on the Promise of Hope.

With your help, St Vincent de Paul of Seattle | King County can continue to demonstrate unmatched capacity in the Puget Sound Region to provide hope, healing and concrete support to help those who need it the most.

Each year, our SVdP Crisis Helpline receives nearly 40,000 requests from neighbors experiencing an urgent, critical need, who are connected with volunteers in their own neighborhoods, called 'Vincentians'. By treating every caller with dignity and compassion, we help neighbors build the resources and skills they need to recover from and move out of crisis.

Throughout King County, our 900+ volunteer Vincentians pair up to form skilled outreach teams who meet with neighbors in their homes by listening, building relationships of trust and responding with compassionate care. **Vincentians restore hope and dignity at every home visit**, through compassionate listening and effective responses that help address the multiple and complex needs of individuals and families in neighborhoods across all of King County.

Last year in Seattle-King County, St. Vincent de Paul provided \$2.1 million in rent and utility assistance alone to help prevent family evictions and reduce homelessness.

Because of your support, our neighbors find hope and healing at St Vincent de Paul.



39,585
served at the
Food Bank



900+
Vincentian
volunteers



\$2.1 Million
In rent and utility
assistance alone



38,505
Crisis Helpline
Urgent Requests



586
people assisted in
Case Management



15,544
caring home visits
by Vincentians



476,653
pounds of
food distributed
at the food bank



4,300
immigrant families
assisted through
Centro Rendu



1,838
boxes of food
delivered through
street outreach



5,586
essential items
distributed to food
bank visitors



ADULT EDUCATION AT CENTRO RENDU

The **primary education** program covers the equivalent of grades 1 through 6, focusing on building essential skills, including reading, writing, basic math, and comprehension.

The **secondary education** program provides students with the equivalent of middle school education (grades 7 through 9). It builds on the primary education and leads into more advanced topics across a range of subjects, preparing students for high school or technical training.

Our **GED/High School Equivalency (18+) certification** is for adults who did not complete traditional high school, offering an alternative diploma to increase access to better job opportunities and/or higher education.

ESL/English Literacy allows adults to develop their English language skills. We offer both beginner and advanced classes.

Financial literacy helps families better understand concepts like budgeting, saving, and managing debt to make better financial decisions.

Computer skills helps adults to learn to use computers effectively, including basic functions, internet navigation, and using common software applications like MS Office.

“We must aspire to a more complete and longer lasting benefit: study their abilities, their level of instruction, and try to get them work to help them out of their difficulties.”

- Blessed Rosalie Rendu

FOR BRIGHTER FUTURES

Adult learners make significant personal sacrifices to develop academically, to graduate, or to earn a certificate to improve their access to quality employment. Our students are supported and empowered to build confidence, take on more challenging opportunities, and invest in themselves and in their community.

Programs are offered in partnership with INEA and 'Ventanilla Financiera' through the Mexican Consulate, Renton Technical College, and Highline Community College.

REROUTE: Youth Leadership & Mentoring



ReRoute is a community-informed, progressive case management, academic support, and mentoring program for Latino youth and their families; preventing involvement in high-risk behaviors, reducing truancy, and building protective factors to reinforce positive behavioral change.

Culturally-specific activities awaken pride and a deeper connection to the Latino heritage through history, folkloric traditions, dancing, and cultural arts.

Youth have frequent opportunities to share their own story and discuss issues related to self-image and cultural identity.



Latino households face disproportionate socio-economic challenges in terms of income level, unemployment and under-employment, access to health services, safe and stable housing, language barriers, and more. Racial inequity, cultural isolation, financial challenges, and family conflict all put Latino youth at higher risk for truancy and behavioral and academic struggles.

Many factors contribute to these challenges: in the school system, there is limited availability of supportive services, and when support is available, the families are faced with language and literacy barriers and struggle to work within the existing, complex courts system.



Often, if a child is already involved in the courts system, the families struggle to read the forms – even in Spanish. Our case managers meet with youth in their homes, at Centro Rendu, in high schools, and conduct home visits with their parents/caregivers to ensure they understand the court documents and have a plan to move their child through and out of this process successfully.

Last year, ReRoute helped **303 at-risk youth** improve their grades, work through behavioral issues, and build supportive relationships with peers and mentors.



DE COLORES

Centro Rendu Early Learning Program

PROGRAM RESOURCES:

De Colores is one of our flagship parenting programs at Centro Rendu.

Parents with children aged 0-5 have the opportunity to learn about early childhood development during these important formative years.

De Colores equips families and pregnant women with supportive tools to lead to a successful future.



We build relationships with families and provide necessary tools for a healthy start in life, assisting with language barriers and provide services like early childhood education, brain development, motor skills, nutritional education, peer support, and access to low-cost medical care.

De Colores is offered in partnership with King County Best Starts for Kids.

UPLIFTING LATINO FAMILIES

Last year, our 'De Colores' Early Childhood team made **1,080 home visits**, while creating a safe, trusting community with parents of young children.

Program Activities

- Home Visits
- Kindergarten Readiness
- Case Management
- Monthly Family Events
- ASQ Developmental Assessments

CENTRO RENDU OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL PARENT AMBASSADOR MODEL (PAM)



The Parent Ambassador Model (PAM) is a program intended to help local Catholic schools welcome, train, mentor, and serve cultural communities, especially the growing Hispanic/Latino community throughout the Archdiocese.

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MISSION

Integrate, recruit, enhance and sharpen leadership skills so that Hispanic/Latino families may become more involved within their Catholic school.

VISION

Provide every Catholic school in the Archdiocese of Seattle with an authentic family engagement experience.

PAM ACTIVITIES

- Provide a framework for school and parish to invite and engage underrepresented cultural or ethnic communities into Catholic schools.
- Trainings for PAM members that help develop and strengthen literacy and parenting skills, as well as develop servant leadership.
- Organize parents who have their children in Catholic schools.
 - Prepare them to be part of the enrollment team.
 - Invite, connect and bond with community members through compelling messaging about Catholic schools.
 - Follow up on the progress of the parents with whom PAM members have been in contact.

EMPOWERING LATINO CATHOLIC PARENTS

Supporting leadership opportunities for members of the Hispanic/Latino Catholic community is vital to the health, wellbeing and propagation of our Catholic faith in the Pacific Northwest.

By enrolling Hispanic/Latino students in Catholic schools, we will help support increased missionary discipleship in our communities.



"I want all young people with both head and heart to assemble for some charitable work."
Frédéric Ozanam

How does it work?

Meetings

Youth conferences usually meet twice a month, sometimes weekly, alternating between meetings and service activities.

Activities

Have you ever wondered how you can serve your neighbors in need? Vincentians provide financial support, hope, and healing for families who are struggling. Food and clothing drives, toy drives/holiday events, cultural events, fundraising for special purposes, and community service projects are just a few of the ways your Youth Conferences can help our neighbors.

Structure

A Conference President is elected by the group to lead the meeting and organize the conference's activities. They can appoint Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Spiritual Advisor or have the group elect these officers. Youth conference terms are 1-2 years.



WELCOME TO THE NETWORK OF CARE

OUR MISSION

Ignited by Gospel values, we listen, respond, and act with compassion to serve neighbors in their struggle to meet basic needs, as we advocate for a more just and equitable society.

OUR VISION

A community where every neighbor is valued, respected, and empowered to maintain stability and achieve self-sufficiency.



CRISIS HELPLINE

SVDP receives nearly 40,000 help requests each year; provides immediate relief by connecting neighbors to our local outreach teams, called 'Conferences'

VINCENTIAN CONFERENCES



Vincentian volunteers listen with compassion and respond with dignity, visiting families in their homes to provide individualized assistance for their unique challenges.



CASE MANAGEMENT

Case workers walk together with families, identify their needs, provide critical systems navigation, and stay close until our neighbors reach stability and self-sufficiency.



GEORGETOWN FOOD BANK

Welcoming everyone, our community center and resource hub offers food, clothing, housing connections, medical care evaluations, access to case workers, and community referrals.



THRIFT STORES

Our thrift stores are service access-points, hosting partner programs, case management, and workforce development. Profits support our programs.



CENTRO RENDU

Vital programs in Spanish support immigrant families through adult education, programs for at-risk youth, early childhood, and parental supports.

**FROM
SURVIVING
TO THRIVING**

