Dear Friends,

It is our pleasure to share with you Holy Cross Ministries’ 2014 Annual Report, in which we describe the scope of our work with the underserved in our community. Recognizing their widespread needs, our programs provide early childhood and youth education classes as well as school counseling; bilingual outreach services to provide prenatal education, basic health screening, domestic violence counseling, and community referrals; and legal immigration assistance, primarily for families and victims of domestic violence.

The stories we share in the 2014 Annual Report illustrate just a few of the ways in which over 6,500 lives have been impacted by Holy Cross Ministries this past year. These outcomes are made possible by our generous supporters, talented staff, community partners and collaborators – all of which allow us to collectively continue Holy Cross’ legacy of effective programming, driven by the commitment to serve those in need.

We are proud to further the practice of service established by the Sisters of the Holy Cross in 1875, and look forward to fostering this tradition of compassionate service for years to come.

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Our history: On June 6, 1875, two Sisters of the Holy Cross arrived in Utah to establish a hospital for injured miners and railroad workers. Their pioneering spirit of meeting the healthcare needs of the growing community was only the beginning. After opening a Hospital, the sisters also established an innovative prepaid health plan to increase the accessibility of needed medical care.

Over the years, they continued to find new ways to heal the sick, educate girls and women, and care for orphans. In 1994, the sisters decided to create Holy Cross Ministries to expand their outreach services to the poor and underserved. We carry on their legacy today, through the innovative programs and services offered by Holy Cross Ministries.

Our Mission: “We respond to the underserved community’s needs for health and well being. We share God-given resources, connect people to community services, and assist individuals and families to move to independence and full participation in the community. We do this to fulfill the mission of Jesus Christ and in the spirit of the Sisters of the Holy Cross.”
95.83% of graduating students from Holy Cross Ministries’ School Readiness Program in 2014 performed well enough on the Kindergarten readiness assessment to no longer be considered “at risk.”

“They are really fulfilling a need in our community”
- School Readiness Program parent
Many Hispanic children enter Kindergarten with no classroom or reading experience, which continues to impact them as they advance through the education system. In 2013, Hispanic students in the Park City School District were only 68% proficient in Language Arts, compared with their Caucasian peers’ proficiency of 96%. Research shows that an inability to read in third grade is a strong predictor for academic failure later on, which ultimately puts them on the dropout track.

In order to combat this trend among at-risk students, Holy Cross Ministries offers academic support for predominately low-income Hispanic students through our School Readiness Program and Afterschool Programs. In 2014, our combined programs served over 250 youth ranging in ages from 3-12 years old.

The bilingual teachers in Holy Cross Ministries’ School Readiness Program provide students with the pre-literacy skills in English that they need to begin Kindergarten on a level playing field with their more affluent peers. The program incorporates a wide variety of strategies including: affordable programming, parent engagement, community support, and student education.

Our Afterschool Program offers an enriching program for students at Jeremy Ranch Elementary, McPolin Elementary, and Parley’s Park Elementary in collaboration with the Park City School District as part of the United Way Promise Park City partnership. In 2014, we saw increased percentages in learning attitudes, physical activities, self esteem, and interpersonal development of students enrolled in the program. Improving student attitudes in each of these areas increases the chances of student success. This focus on promoting developmental assets is proven to lead to academic gains and to act as a buffer against negative influences in adolescence.

**Elena’s Story:**

When asked why they enrolled their daughter in the School Readiness Program, Elena’s father immediately expressed the value he places on early childhood education.

“I have three jobs, and I am breaking my back, but it is so my family can have more than I did.”

His investment is already paying off – Elena’s assessment scores nearly tripled in her first semester with the School Readiness Program. Her teacher remarked that Elena “was very shy when the school year began, and spoke only Spanish, but now she is starting to practice English with her classmates.”
"The work done in our clinic is enhanced by our strong collaboration with Holy Cross Ministries."

- South Main Clinic physician

In 2014, the Promotora Outreach Program at Holy Cross Ministries made 1,178 referrals for our clients to various resources in the community.
Unfortunately, immigrant victims of violence are often isolated by language and socioeconomic status. These women need long-term, sustained, and culturally sensitive mental health services. They are also less likely to have health insurance, given that 60% of foreign born Hispanics living in the state of Utah are uninsured, which is a critical factor in receiving any type of medical care. This is particularly crucial for Latina mothers, who face many risk factors regarding the health of their babies.

Recognizing the dynamic needs faced by our clients, our Family Counseling Program focuses on domestic violence counseling support and Holy Cross Ministries employs bilingual, bi-cultural outreach workers—known as Promotoras—based in low-income clinics throughout Northern Utah.

In 2014, one of our Licensed Clinical Social Worker served over 50 victims of violence with outcome data indicating that all clients at the conclusion of their services experienced a reduction in social distress, interpersonal relationship stress, and social role stress; our school counseling program served 900 students in three Catholic schools; and the Promotoras reached over 200 expectant mothers during 145 prenatal group classes and 108 individual prenatal sessions. As a result of this prenatal care, the expectant mothers’ feeling of being prepared for the delivery of their baby increased by 22.23%. Furthermore, our Promotoras assisted over 300 individuals last year in obtaining health coverage, and 84% now report having a primary care physician. They also facilitate a support group program for Spanish speaking parents of children with special needs and/or complex medical diagnosis, called Niños Especiales Familias Fuertes (NEFF).

**Rosa’s Story:**

Rosa became pregnant at age 13 as a result of statutory rape. Both terrified and embarrassed, she dropped out of school. After assisting Rosa with her U Visa application, our legal staff referred her to the Promotora Program. One of our Promotoras was able to conduct several home-visits, meeting with Rosa and her mother.

*Not only did she receive one on one prenatal classes, but after meeting with the school counselor, Rosa eventually returned to school.*

Rosa has worked extremely hard to pursue her studies over the past 4 years, and we are incredibly proud that she will be graduating from high school this year. Holy Cross Ministries is now doing the family’s petition for lawful permanent residency and Rosa plans to continue her education.
"Holy Cross Ministries helped open the door of possibilities for me and my children and made the world a more hopeful place."

- Legal immigration client

158 victims of crime were able to obtain legal residency through Holy Cross Ministries’ U Visa Program in 2014.
Utah has a growing immigrant community and yet there are only four non-profit organizations in the state that are legally authorized to represent them in immigration legal matters. This reality makes immigrants and their families a critically underserved population in our community.

Holy Cross Ministries is one of only two organizations in the state to provide low-cost legal services assisting immigrant victims of violent crimes and has the largest U Visa Program in Utah, which helps achieve temporary legal status for these women and their immediate family members.

Through our long history of service, Holy Cross Ministries has become well known as a trusted resource in the Latino community. Recognizing that a change in legal status can mean a world of difference for immigrant families, the main objective of our legal immigration department is to offer individuals and families' affordable legal counsel and services.

In 2014 alone the program provided legal counsel to nearly 1,500 individuals and families. Many of which are able to file with US immigration services for a change in their legal status.

**Jose’s Story:**

Jose received his permanent resident card during the amnesty program through his tireless work in agricultural fields. In 1993, Jose began the process for his 18 year old son, Miguel, to also obtain a permanent resident card.

11 years later, with the help of one of our immigration attorneys, Jose learned that he was eligible to take the citizenship test in Spanish. Thanks to Jose’s citizenship status, Miguel was able to legally marry the mother of his children without losing the petition that his father filed for him in 1993.

Over the next 10 years, Holy Cross continued to represent Jose’s family, and in December 2014, after 21 years of waiting for eligibility, Miguel and his wife received their permanent resident cards. Three months later Holy Cross Ministries received the resident cards to give to Jose’s grandchildren as well.
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