

Annual Report 2021/2022

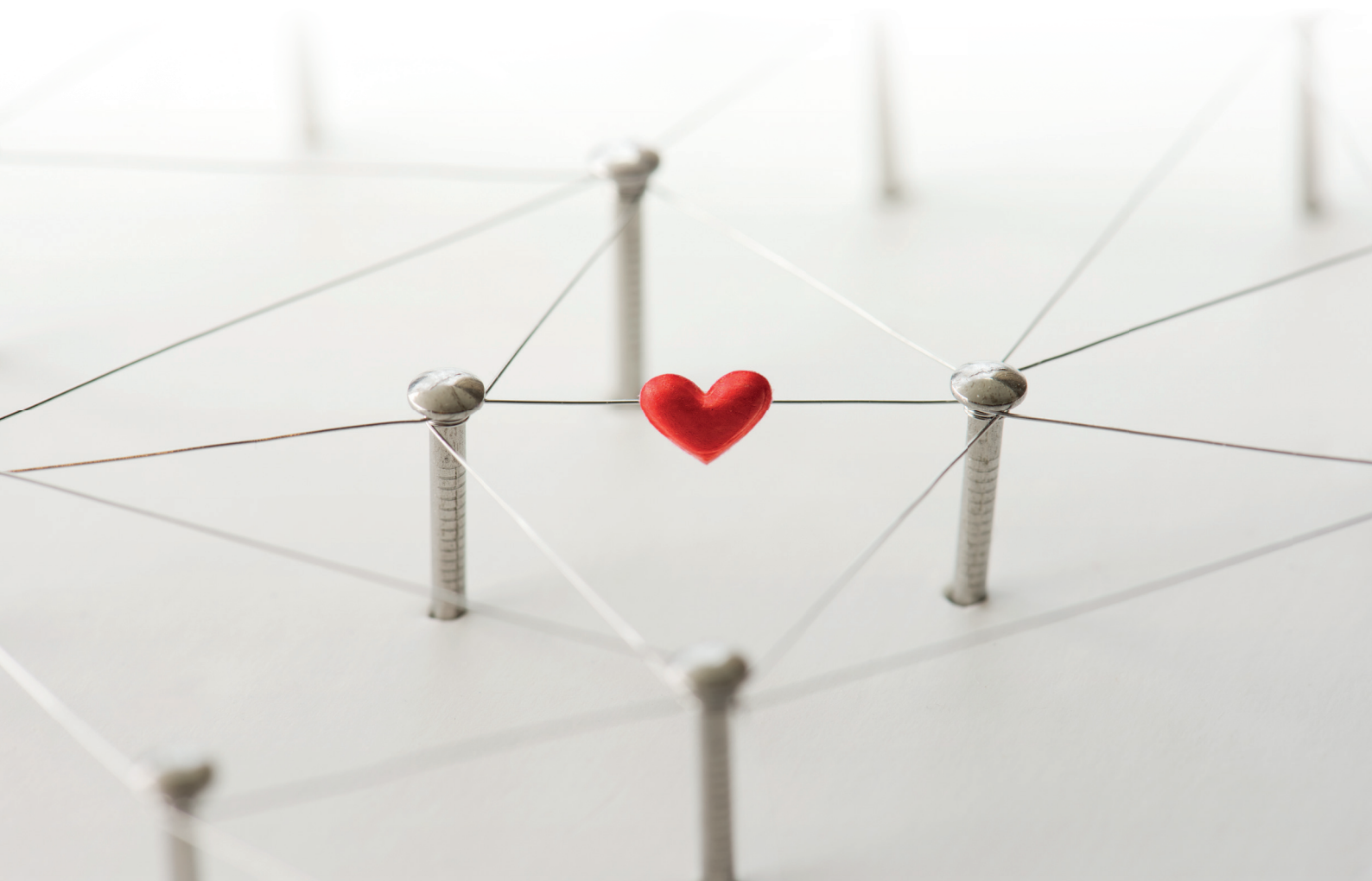


**“Caritas is the salt, the leaven and the light
that provides a beacon of hope to those in need”
– Pope Francis**



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Sharing the mission of the Roman Catholic Church to serve the poor, of all and no faiths, and promote charity, justice & environmental responsibility within the Archdiocese of Cape Town

WORDS FROM OUR PRESIDENT

(Most Reverend Archbishop of Cape Town, Stephen Brislin)

Love is an integral part of our belief in God. Love of God can only truly be expressed by love of our neighbour shown in concrete, practical acts of love. We believe everyone can make a positive difference in the lives of the suffering. Caritas Cape Town aims at giving ordinary people the opportunity to become involved by giving help and support to those in need through organised actions and programmes that reach those most destitute and vulnerable.



WORDS FROM OUR CHAIRPERSON

(Fr Paul Taylor)

Caritas Cape Town ('CCT') didn't have the easiest start in life being 'born' into the worst pandemic the modern world has seen in decades. Despite the challenges presented by continuous covid 19 lockdowns, all of us at CCT adapted and used our time wisely to plan and strategize for the way forward. What started as an organisation whose main mission was to provide support to parishes for local projects & programs, has now evolved into a coordinating body for social outreach organisations within the Archdiocese of Cape Town, an organisation that operates a central Catholic emergency relief centre (as part of a larger network of churches) and a coordinating body for parish support of migrants and refugees.

We could not have achieved any of this without support from our parishioners, our donors, our fellow Catholic organisations and most importantly from God himself who continues to guide and lead us exactly to where we need to be to serve those who most need our help. I am proud of all that CCT has achieved in its short life of 18 months and I look forward to the expansion of our programs as we head into this new year. Thank you for all your support and God bless.



"I know that the Lord secures justice for the poor and upholds the cause of the needy."; Psalm 140:12

Parish Programs

Caritas Cape Town (“CCT”) provides advisory, capacity-building and, where necessary, financial support to effectively aid parishes of the Archdiocese of Cape Town to initiate welfare & development programs/projects in their local communities.

It does this by providing training workshops, and ongoing one on one support, to increase the capacity of individuals and groups to help identify needs in their communities and design programs/projects to meet these needs.

During the covid lockdown in 2021, CCT designed a workshop entitled ‘How to identify needs in a community and design a program/project to meet those needs’. Throughout 2021/2022, CCT presented this workshop to 46 parishes via deanery workshops and to 5 parishes via one-on-one workshops. Following on from this, parishes were encouraged to start the process of either strengthening existing parish programs/projects or start new social outreach programs/projects in their parishes with the support of CCT.

**“Two are better than one because
they have a good return for their labor”
– Ecclesiastes 4**



Figure 1 Workshop on the dangers of alcohol during pregnancy given by CCT at Lavender Hill. Baby gift products kindly sponsored by parishioners of Newlands and Claremont.



Figure 2 Workshop on the dangers of alcohol during pregnancy given by CCT at Retreat MOU. Baby gift products kindly sponsored by parishioners of Newlands & Claremont.



Figures 3 & 4 Beanies hand knitted by parishioners distributed at SMA parish soup kitchen Athlone at the beginning of Season of Creation



Figure 5 Supporting Northpine parish in starting up its new parish soup kitchen

Social Development Group Network

Although primarily focused on parish-based initiatives, CCT is also aware that one of the Church's greatest treasures is the Catholic social action which takes place locally by many social outreach and development organizations within the Archdiocese of Cape Town.

In recognition of this work CCT wanted to ensure that its mandate included the bringing together of all these wonderful organizations to enable them to get to know each other better, collaborate, discuss opportunities to work together and attend workshops on topics relevant to those in the social development field.

This newly formed 'Social Development Group Network' now consists of 21 members and met three times throughout the year. This year's guest speakers spoke on topics such as 'Catholic Social Teachings' and 'Reducing energy usage from a cost and environmental perspective'.



Figure 2 Some of the members of the Social Development Group Network at the May 2022 gathering at the HOPE Centre Delft

Emergency Disaster Response

CCT provides support and resources in cases of local and/or national emergencies or disasters:

- In September 2021 CCT distributed 2,000 food parcels together with bulk food support to 18 parish community soup kitchens in response to the hunger and destitution arising from the continuing covid lockdown.



Figure 3 Fr Paul Taylor (CCT Chairperson) and Aisling Foley (CCT Coordinator) packing food parcels during covid lockdown

- In December 2021 CCT ran the annual Buckets of Love Christmas Campaign which saw parishes in the Archdiocese of Cape Town raise sufficient funds to distribute 1,419 food parcels to 18 parishes and bulk food support for 3 parish community soup kitchens.



Figure 4 CCT Team at Buckets of Love 2021



Figure 5 Distributing food to Manenberg parish soup kitchen

- In May 2022, CCT made substantial financial donations to both the Archdiocese of Durban and the Diocese of Mariannhill to assist those who had been affected by the devastating KZN floods.



Figure 6 Devastation caused by floods in KZN, April 2022

- In June 2022 CCT launched its Emergency Disaster Appeal 2022 encouraging parishes to collect funds and second-hand items to assist victims of disasters in the Archdiocese of Cape Town.

From this it was able to:

- ➡ Purchase and distribute 140 'hygiene packs' containing basic hygiene items for a family of four (e.g., soap, face cloths, sanitary towels, toilet rolls, toothpaste, toothbrushes, plasters, antiseptic, hand mirror);
- ➡ Distribute clothing packs to 106 beneficiaries;
- ➡ Distribute 'home starter kitchen packs' for a family of four to 20 families;
- ➡ Distribute kitchen items, blankets, towels, pillows and other household items to 25 beneficiaries



Figure 7 CCT 'Hygiene Pack'



Figure 8 Preparing 140 CCT 'Hygiene Packs'



Figure 9 Distributing 100 hygiene packs and 50 clothing packs to the Masiphumelele community after the devastating fires



Figure 10 Distributing 20 'household starter kits' and 20 clothing packs to the community of Hout Bay following fires

- In September 2022 CCT became a member of the RESPOND network representing the Roman Catholic Church. RESPOND is a collection of churches and faith-based NGOs and organisations who collaborate to respond to disasters effectively.



Figure 11 CCT Team and members of SVP attending the RESPOND training workshop on disaster management



- In December 2022 CCT ran the annual Buckets of Love Christmas Campaign which saw parishes in the Archdiocese of Cape Town raise sufficient funds to distribute 1,089 food parcels to 27 parishes.

Buckets of Love 2022





Migrants, refugees & displaced persons

Our hope as CCT is to help create welcoming communities. We want both the migrants and the local people to willingly find each other. We want to start the conversation with the individual involved to try understanding their needs and challenges and be able to equip them with the information and resources they need or refer them to organizations that offer specialized services for people on the move.

His Grace, Stephen Brislin, Archbishop of Cape Town has tasked CCT with working with the migrant chaplains and investigating the possibility of establishing a 'Refugee Desk' in the Archdiocese of Cape Town. To this end CCT has:

- Given a presentation on the work of CCT to the migrant chaplains;
- Held 4 meetings in 2021/22 with the migrant chaplains' committee;
- In October 2022 conducted a survey of migrant & refugee needs, challenges and supports at parish level amongst 24 parishes.

In 2023, CCT will continue to work with the migrant chaplains and their coordinator and further investigate the need to establish a possible ADCT Refugee Desk based on the outcome of the above survey.

Regulatory/Governance

- Caritas Cape Town registered as a Non-Profit organization (NPO) on 25 August 2021 (264-187 NPO)
- Caritas Cape Town registered as a Public Benefit Organization (PBO) on 27 July 2022 (930074278)

Communications

- June 2021 – Caritas Cape Town launches its new logo
- August 2022 – Caritas Cape Town launches its new website (<https://caritas.capetown>)
- November 2022 – Caritas Cape Town launches its new parish poster

FINANCIALS

CARITAS CAPE TOWN
(REGISTRATION NUMBER 264-187 NPO)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE 15 MONTHS PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

STATEMENT OF DETAILED COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Figures in Rand	Notes	2022
REVENUE		
Donations received		837,779
Rental income		1,025,383
Sundry income		170,645
	7	2,033,807
OTHER INCOME		
Project income		704,312
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Accounting fees		19,800
Advertising		24,668
Auditors remuneration		20,125
Bank charges		9,147
Computer expenses		23,175
Consumables		3,581
Depreciation		6,725
Donations		479
Employee costs		830,149
Equipment rental		520
Insurance		32,069
Lease rentals on operating lease		32,360
Motor vehicle expenses		54,163
Municipal expenses		366,878
Printing and stationery		6,803
Project expenses		708,383
Repairs and maintenance		228,210
Security		11,646
Staff welfare		3,456
Subscriptions		8,000
Telephone		4,282
Travel		1,550
		2,396,169
Surplus for the 15 months period		341,950

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Figures in Rand	Notes	2022
ASSETS		
Non-Current Assets		
Property, plant and equipment	2	264,901
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	3	80,225
Trade and other receivables	4	73,675
		153,900
Total Assets		418,801
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
EQUITY		
Accumulated surplus		341,950
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	5	76,851
Total Equity and Liabilities		418,801

THANK YOU

TO OUR BOARD

For all their valuable guidance and support throughout the year:

Most Reverend Archbishop of Cape Town, Stephen Brislin (President)

Fr Paul Taylor (Chairperson)

Fr Wim Lindeque (Vice Chairperson)

Steven Borwick (Secretary)

Chantal Solomons (Treasurer)

Luzuko Tseku (Board Member)

Oliver Tshinyoka Mulombo (Board Member)

Theo Lekoma (Board Member)

11 Board meetings held in 2020/2021 (1 via zoom and 10 in person)

TO OUR DONORS

Without whose support we would not be able to do our work:

Thank you to all the individuals, corporates and parishes who so generously donated money and/or time to our Emergency Disaster Appeal, Buckets of Love 2021 Campaign and Buckets of Love 2022 Campaign.



**“For where two or three are gathered together in my name,
there am I in the midst of them.”**

Matthew 18:20