

# 2021 Annual Donor Report



*A young mother in Pakistan poses for the camera with her son. Photo by Nasreen Daniel SL*

## Donations Received

### Designated Funds

Carbon Offset Fund	8 donors	\$1,139
Cedars of Peace	6 donors	\$22,250
Committee work	2 donors	\$1,000
Hunger Fund	34 donors	\$11,247
Immigration support	4 donors	\$4,350
J. Gramick SL ministry	18 donors	\$5,673
Judy Popp SL's work	2 donors	\$1,250
Loretto Heights campus cemetery	4 donors	\$1,250
Loretto Heritage Center:		
Archives and Museum	24 donors	\$9,510
Loretto in Pakistan	26 donors	\$25,692
Loretto Volunteer Program	8 donors	\$4,150
Motherhouse Infirmary	162 donors	\$91,496
Renovation and upkeep	5 donors	\$13,175
Sisters' retirement	190 donors	\$96,258
United Nations operations	2 donors	\$2,666
Where funds are most needed	611 donors	\$484,490
Wills: gifts from	6 donors	\$817,128

**Total received                    \$1,604,683**

### Gifts to Loretto-Connected Recipients

Ann Manganaro Fund	4 donors	\$3,525
Backpacks for students in need	49 donors	\$2,410
FST Sisters, Ghana	4 donors	\$11,093
Haiti projects	87 donors	\$129,586
Loretto Day Care Center	1 donors	\$10,000
Mary Luke Tobin Scholarship	14 donors	\$1,600
Mayfield, Ky., tornado victim assistance	18 donors	\$3,298

**Total received                    \$161,512**

**All donations received \$1,766,195**

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## Designated funds

### **Carbon Offset Fund**

Mitigates damage caused by carbon emissions by distributing funds to plant trees and accomplish other environmental remediation.

### **Cedars of Peace**

Offers cabins in a secluded section of the Motherhouse woods for those seeking solitude and quiet.

### **Committee Work**

Includes the Peace Committee and the Feminist Network.

### **Hunger Fund**

Distributes to groups dedicated to feeding the hungry.

### **Immigration Support**

Provides opportunities to meet with migrants; funds food and shelter for migrants and bail for detainees; supports work with groups on the ground to organize, educate and advocate for change.

### **Jeannine Gramick SL's Work**

Advocates for LGBTQ+ rights and for those who support these rights, especially Catholics, through New Ways Ministry.

### **Knobs Haven**

Offers group and individual retreats in family-style housing.





### **Loretto Heights Campus Cemetery**

For headstones at Mount Olivet Cemetery, Denver, as sisters' remains are reburied.

### **Loretto Heritage Center: Archives and Museum**

Documents Loretto history through the lens of our members and our works, with professional preservation efforts, interpretive exhibits and continuing research initiatives.

### **Loretto in Pakistan**

Operates a school for Catholic, Protestant and Muslim students from poor families in the neighborhood. The Sewing Circle teaches women literacy, gardening, cooking and sewing. One of the sisters teaches theology in the seminary and another teaches installation of solar panels.

### **Loretto Volunteers**

Extends the reach of Loretto values to those most in need through service at immigrant and refugee advocacy organizations, health clinics, shelters, food pantries, Loretto schools and the United Nations. Loretto Volunteers serve one-year terms and live together in community.

### **Motherhouse Infirmary**

Provides care to Loretto Community sisters and co-members, former employees, family of employees and Loretto members, as well as individuals in need who live near the Motherhouse.

### **Judy Popp SL's Work**

Judy has provided social services in central Kentucky for 40 years. She has just retired.

### **Sisters' Retirement**

Ensures that just provision is made for the retirement of Sisters of Loretto who received little to no compensation for their work.

### **Renovation and Upkeep**

Gifts for general maintenance and care for the graves at the Motherhouse.

### **United Nations**

Loretto has non-governmental organization status (NGO) and representation at the U.N. where we work to further the goals of justice and peace.

### **Wherever Funds Are Most Needed**

Gives us maximum flexibility to meet immediate or unanticipated needs. Your confidence in our work is gratifying.

### **Gifts from a Will**

Loretto received five bequests providing for current and future work.

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*Top right, at the Motherhouse in Nerinx, Ky., Loretto Community members prize the multitudinous trees growing on the 800-acre property. Clockwise from top left are Pauline Albin, SL, Kathy Wright, SL, Elizabeth Croom, SL, Aggie Hoorman RSCJ. Left, kids are hard at work at Marion Middle School in St. Louis under the tutelage of Barbara Roche SL. Loretto staff photos*

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## Gifts to Loretto-connected recipients

### **Ann Manganaro Fund**

Further continuation of the clinic Sister Ann founded in Guarjila, El Salvador. Ann died in 1993 at age 47.

### **Assistance to Mayfield, Kentucky**

Loretto members and others gave for the tornado victims.

### **School Backpacks**

Assistance for students at Escuela de Guadalupe in Denver and Marian Middle School in St. Louis.

### **FST Sisters in Ghana**

Helps support the school and programs of the Daughters of the Most Blessed Trinity (FST), a Loretto Sister Community.

### **Haiti Projects**

Supports the schools, orphanages and social services of the Little Sisters of St. Therese of the Child Jesus. Loretto Co-member Barbara Wander also distributes money for scholarships for university students.

### **Loretto Daycare Center**

The daycare center assists employees and neighbors. It was founded by Kay Carlew SL, who died in 2020.

### **Mary Luke Tobin Award**

Holy Family High School in Denver annually awards this college scholarship in honor of Mary Luke Tobin SL, who in her pursuit of justice taught us not to be afraid of change.





Top, Mary Ann Gleason SL works in Uganda, where she has served as a physician's assistant for the past 10 years. Loretto staff photo  
Left, Sharon Kassing SL on guitar and Claudia Calzetta SL on piano lead singing in the Motherhouse chapel. Loretto staff photo  
Above, Beth Blissman CoL, Loretto's NGO Representative to the UN at far left, with young women who have participated in the Loretto Volunteer Program, from left, Teresa Blumenstein, Cecilie Kern and Amy Maltz at a climate protest in New York City in 2019. Photo by Beth Blissman

# The back story

Dear Friends of Loretto,

Thank you. I write on behalf of all of Loretto. We are grateful for your gifts that secure the future of our work and our retirement. I turned 80 in January, and I'm retiring from the job of Development Director. I expect that I'll continue to write my share of thank you notes to you — a task that allows me to connect with you directly and remind you that you share in the life of Loretto – community, spirituality and mission.

You know our new director, Virginia Nesmith, as my development assistant the past two years. Virginia has been a fellow traveler with Loretto since she was an undergraduate at Webster University in St. Louis. Her respect and affection for the Loretto Community has continued to grow as she worked with us directly. She appreciates the very real compassion and love that she has experienced and observed on the many levels in which Loretto operates.

Virginia shares our vision of working for justice and acting for peace. All of her adult life, her passion has been to stand with farmworkers seeking justice in the fields. She understands the dangers of unbridled military spending. She gets it that the Earth needs us to change in big ways and in the small acts we can each take on. In short, while she is not a sister or a co-member, she's committed.

You too, dear readers, can be more active with Loretto if you wish. Old as many of us are, we still have a voice. We can continue to be a force for change. I plan to join the Poor People's Moral March in Washington, DC, June 18. I'll look for you. Meanwhile, consider the opportunities listed in the box below. To participate, send a note to [developmentdirector@lorettocommunity.org](mailto:developmentdirector@lorettocommunity.org). With this call to action, I leave you in Virginia's capable hands.

With great love and gratitude,



Sister Mary Ann McGivern SL  
Development Director



## *Might you be interested in joining us for any of the following?*

- ◇ Our Latin America/Caribbean Committee hosts a Zoom Spotlight on the fourth Friday of every month with people working with migrants and for change of our immigration laws.
- ◇ The Loretto Earth Network participates in a listserv that keeps us up to date.
- ◇ The Peace Committee publishes an occasional newsletter and currently is calling for reflections and prayers for Ukraine. We are sponsoring a Community read of John Hershey's "Hiroshima."
- ◇ Sandra Hareld publishes a monthly Loretto Circle e-newsletter with a focus on what's happening in Loretto. Poetry and spiritual reflections are regular features.
- ◇ The Good Trouble Working Group is studying reparations and has joined the Poor People's Campaign, leading a Loretto delegation to the Poor People's Moral March on Washington June 18.

If any of these pique your interest, please send an email to [developmentdirector@lorettocommunity.org](mailto:developmentdirector@lorettocommunity.org).

