



# CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF SOUTHERN NEBRASKA

## Hope in the Good Life

January 2022

St. Vincent Pallotti/CSS Volunteers

### An encounter through serving

Saint Vincent Pallotti was a radical for his times.

Born in Rome in 1795, Vincent began studying for the priesthood at an early age. He did well in his studies, being ordained at the age of twenty-three and earning his doctorate in theology soon after. Vincent was named as an assistant professor at Sapienza University but soon resigned it shortly after to devote himself to pastoral work.

Saint Vincent was known for the "extreme" idea of approaching the "faithful of every class, rank, and condition" to minister to "those who are most spiritually needy." He sought

people to treat those in need "with care and with a loving and tender concern." He organized schools for shoemakers, tailors, coachmen, carpenters, and gardeners so that they could better work at their trade, as well as evening classes for young farmers and unskilled workers. He quickly became known as a "second St. Philip Neri." He gave away his books, his possessions, and even his clothes to the poor.

He called the laity, sisters, priests, and brothers, to charity, patience, humility, zeal, and love of God and of Jesus Christ.

Saint Vincent had a heart for serving

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In one year,  
**469**  
volunteers  
provided  
**20,290**  
hours  
which  
equates to  
**\$280,000**  
in service  
to the agency

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### *An encounter through serving (continued)*

the poor, and also a deep desire to teach the laity and religious to encounter their neighbor in need through service.

Some of the most important people at Catholic Social Services are our volunteers. Their love of serving their neighbor in need is inspiring, and vital to our mission. We simply could not bring Hope in the Good Life without them.

Catholic Social Services of Southern Nebraska offers many opportunities for individuals, families, and parish communities to serve those in need. Volunteers feed the

hungry and give drink to the thirsty through our CSS Food Market & Meal Services. Volunteers shelter the homeless by helping our St. Gianna Women's Homes families. Volunteers welcome the stranger by assisting with our Refugee Resettlement Services and Immigration Legal Services. Volunteers clothe the naked by assisting at our CSS Gift & Thrift Stores.

All four CSS offices offer an opportunity to serve others and join in our work. Learn more about volunteer opportunities in your area at [csshope.org/volunteer](https://csshope.org/volunteer). You can help us bring Hope in the Good Life!

Celebration of  
**HOPE**

Sunday, March 27th, 2022  
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Learn more at [csshope.org/celebration2022](https://csshope.org/celebration2022)