



# LOVE LIVES HERE

Highlights of the ministries of  
St. Vincent de Paul Society, Dayton District Council

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*Conferences work to keep neighbors in their homes.*

## Keeping the Lights on for Our Neighbors

St. Vincent de Paul met Megan shortly after she and her young child moved in with Megan's elderly mother. Her mother lived with Alzheimer's and her longtime partner recently passed away. It was believed that he had been keeping up with the bills. Unfortunately, Megan soon learned they owed almost \$4,000 in energy bills and a \$300 water bill. By the time she called her neighborhood Vincentians for help, both the power and water had just been shut off, and the weather service began warning of an approaching heat wave.

The Vincentians sounded the alarm. They were able to cover some of the cost, but they reached out to other local partners for help. They prayed for quick responses to ensure Megan, her child, and her elderly mother stayed safe in the dangerous heat. The day before the heat wave began, their prayers were answered. Warren County Community Services came through with the additional funds needed to pay the bills. Both power and water were restored for Megan's family just in time.

In 2024, St. Vincent de Paul Society Conferences in the Dayton area contributed \$762,937 to helping their struggling neighbors pay utility bills alone – and that does not account for the additional assistance they helped obtain from other organizations. These neighborhood volunteers give so much more of their time, energy, and love to walk with their neighbors during difficult times. Each year they help countless neighbors avoid homelessness with assistance and personal support.

Looking for a way to make a difference in your community? Look no further than your local St. Vincent de Paul Conference! To learn more about our neighborhood Conferences and the opportunity to grow in spirituality and friendship, through service to our neighbors in need, contact Nick Cardilino, the Director of Neighborhood Ministries, 937.222.5555, ext. 124.



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Our mission is to, with Christian purpose, accompany those in need one person at a time by focusing on shelter, food, and clothing. **Do you have questions about St. Vincent de Paul Society?** Email Josh Plandowski at [jplandowski@stvincentdayton.org](mailto:jplandowski@stvincentdayton.org) or scan the code.