

## **Delco SVdP - Members - Pandemic Aid Plan**

To be shared with SVdP members by conference presidents

### **Introduction:**

- Our St. Vincent DePaul society is committed to helping its members build resilience, throughout the virus pandemic, with spiritual, psychological, emotional, financial, bereavement and career counseling support.
- If you, or someone in your SVdP conference, needs our help, please contact Delco SVdP Disaster Relief - Members Subcommittee (DRMS) chairman Gregory Juckett at (917) 208-9535 or [mrgjuckett@gmail.com](mailto:mrgjuckett@gmail.com). As always, all communication within our SVdP ministry is confidential.

### **Identifying Members' Needs & Providing Assistance:**

- When one of our members is experiencing challenges and setbacks related to the virus pandemic, we will provide soothing support in words and actions similar to how St. Vincent DePaul has been showing God's love to our neighbors for 169 years.
- In keeping with our ministry's tradition of visiting our neighbors-in-need in pairs, our SVdP members-in-need will have the opportunity to confidentially discuss their situation with a small constituency of Delco SVdP DRMS volunteers, to most accurately identify their requirements and determine a best course of action. These "visits" and/or discussions can be performed utilizing the ZOOM platform or similar face-time apps or through individual phone calls, if necessary, while social distancing measures remain in place.

- By speaking via ZOOM/phone to better understand a member's situation, Delco SVdP DRMS can attempt to provide our members-in-need with urgently needed help, while referring them to SVdP in-house expertise as well as offering information on related Delco-area resources.
- Consistent follow up and loving support of our members-in-need will help to build resilience!

### **Prayer of Resilience:**

*Lord, please help us to rise above our current challenges. Help us to be patient, yet resilient in affliction. Help us to be inspired and to inspire others. Amen.*

### **Related SVdP & Delco Resources:**

- **Career Counseling**, Lori P. Salvatore, MA – Private Practice Career Coaching, (215) 657-0476, [LoriSalvatoreMA@gmail.com](mailto:LoriSalvatoreMA@gmail.com)
- **Mental Health Resources**, The Disaster Distress Helpline, 1-800-985-5990, is a 24/7, 365-day-a-year, national hotline dedicated to providing immediate crisis counseling for people who are experiencing emotional distress related to any natural or human-caused disaster.
- **Catholic Social Services**, Provides family, marital and individual counseling on a sliding fee scale, (610) 626-6550, 240 N. Springfield Road, Springfield, PA 19064
- **Financial Counseling**, CLARIFI, [www.CLARIFI.ORG](http://www.CLARIFI.ORG), and (800) 989-2227 - Mission: To give financial clarity whether it's managing a bank account or planning a secure retirement. In most cases, they're able to help people at no cost (for some programs, they

charge a very low fee). However, as a non-profit resource for the community, they never turn away a client because of an inability to pay.

- **Free Legal Advice**, Legal Assistance of Southeastern Pennsylvania, (877) 429-5994 <https://www.lasp.org/>