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## We're trying something new.

We want to keep you up to date with all the exciting things that continue happening at Catholic Charities each month. In 2021, you can expect frequent updates about programs, community events, and more! We're so grateful for your support and hope you enjoy these peeks into Catholic Charities' work.



### Partnering for Seniors Seeks Volunteer Drivers

Our Santa Fe based senior transportation program, Partnering for Seniors, continues to seek volunteer drivers. Our generous drivers dedicate time each week to help seniors get to important appointments in the Santa Fe area. Many of our Drivers and Riders enjoy getting to know each other and have established some incredible friendships over the years.

To learn about becoming a volunteer driver, please email [klauss@ccasfnm.org](mailto:klauss@ccasfnm.org) or visit [www.ccasfnm.org/pfs](http://www.ccasfnm.org/pfs).

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## 2020 Christmas Giving Tree a Success

At the beginning of December, Director of Community Involvement Kathy Freeze was tasked with imagining how we might safely collect gifts for our Giving Tree to benefit Catholic Charities families. Thankfully, our community was ready to help up out in a big way.

Within a few weeks, Kathy and her team had collected over **\$9,500** in gift cards to help our refugee and formerly unhoused families with essential holiday purchases. That's 74 formerly unhoused families who got gift cards for food, 29 hygiene/cleaning baskets distributed, and 113 children who received gifts for Christmas. In refugee support, we distributed \$4,975 in gift cards for needed food and gifts for the over 100 children in the program, plus art kits for families during the Christmas break and over 12 soccer balls.

Your donations warm our hearts and they helped make this Christmas brighter for families in need. It is with deep gratitude that we recognize your generosity in the holiday spirit of Christ!

Many thanks to Annunciation Parish, St. Charles Borromeo Church, St. John Vianney Church, Immaculate Conception Church, and John XXIII Catholic Community for their incredible support this Christmas season.

Learn more about our Center for Community Involvement at [www.ccasnm.org/community-involvement](http://www.ccasnm.org/community-involvement)



## Free DACA Questionnaire

Our Center for Immigration and Citizenship Legal Assistance has introduced a new online screening tool for DACA applications and renewals. With this new way to screen potential applicants, our Immigration team is able to support many more individuals and families on their path to legal citizenship.