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ACTS 2027 Kickoff!

MEET THE TEAM



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Annual Giving Manager

Key point of contact for the appeal



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The cheerful voice when you call the office



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Parish Roster Updates, Leaven Updates, etc.

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Thank You!

- Address Changes back to parishes
- There is still a chance that we will notify you of something that you have submitted
- We will send any updates received from Donor, USPS, Leaven Returns, etc

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Parish and School Emergency Fund

Over $1.3M has been awarded since 2006
This is truly for emergencies
Typically limited to one request per fiscal year

2026: Cathedral & St Mary St Anthony, KCK
2025: Bishop Ward High School & Holy Name School

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ACTS 2026 Recap

- Goal – $7,750,000
- Total Raised To Date: $7,116,226.2
- % of Goal: 92%
- % Participation:21%
- Avg. Gift: $557
- Parishes Over Goal: 29
- # of Donors: 12,759

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Recap by Deanery 2026

Row Labels	Deanery Goal	Deanery Raised	Difference From Goal	Goal Progress	Deanery Participation Rate	Deanery Portion of Archdiocesan Goal	Total Households in Deanery	Percent of Archdiocesan Households in Deanery
Atchison	$175,000	$173,329	$1,671	99%	27%	2%	1,783	3%
Johnson	$5,125,000	$4,655,937	$469,063	91%	19%	66%	32,295	54%
Lawrence	$350,000	$310,728	$39,272	89%	23%	5%	3,105	5%
Leavenworth	$277,000	$267,312	$9,688	97%	25%	4%	2,372	4%
Nemaha-Marshall	$275,000	$264,901	$10,099	96%	31%	4%	2,553	4%
Southern	$395,000	$349,186	$45,814	88%	30%	5%	3,314	6%
Topeka	$846,000	$709,290	$136,710	84%	23%	11%	8,286	14%
Wyandotte	$275,000	$226,105	$48,895	82%	20%	4%	4,767	8%
						Total Households	60,093	

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Recap by Deanery 2025

Row Labels	Deanery Goal	Deanery Raised	Difference From Goal	Goal Progress	Deanery Participation Rate	Deanery Portion of Archdiocesan Goal	Total Households in Deanery	Percent of Archdiocesan Households in Deanery
Atchison	$ 185,000	$151,240.85	($33,759)	82%	22%	3%	1,946	3%
Johnson	$ 4,728,000	$4,702,634.49	($25,365.51)	99%	18.5%	66%	32,340	55%
Lawrence	$ 380,000	$330,993	($49,007)	87%	23%	5%	3,088	5%
Leavenworth	$ 285,000	$251,960	($33,039)	88%	23%	4%	2,490	4%
Nemaha-Marshall	$ 255,000	$243,446	($11,553.41)	95%	28%	4%	2,578	4%
Southern	$ 337,000	$338,823.85	$1,823.85	101%	31%	5%	3,162	5%
Topeka	$ 824,000	$704,779.60	($119,221)	86%	22%	11%	8,412	14%
Wyandotte	$ 261,000	$228,538	($32,461.94)	88%	21%	4%	4,653	8%
						Total Households	60,215	

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Parishes Over Goal

- 35 Parishes Over Goal!
- 27 parishes between 90-99%

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Participation

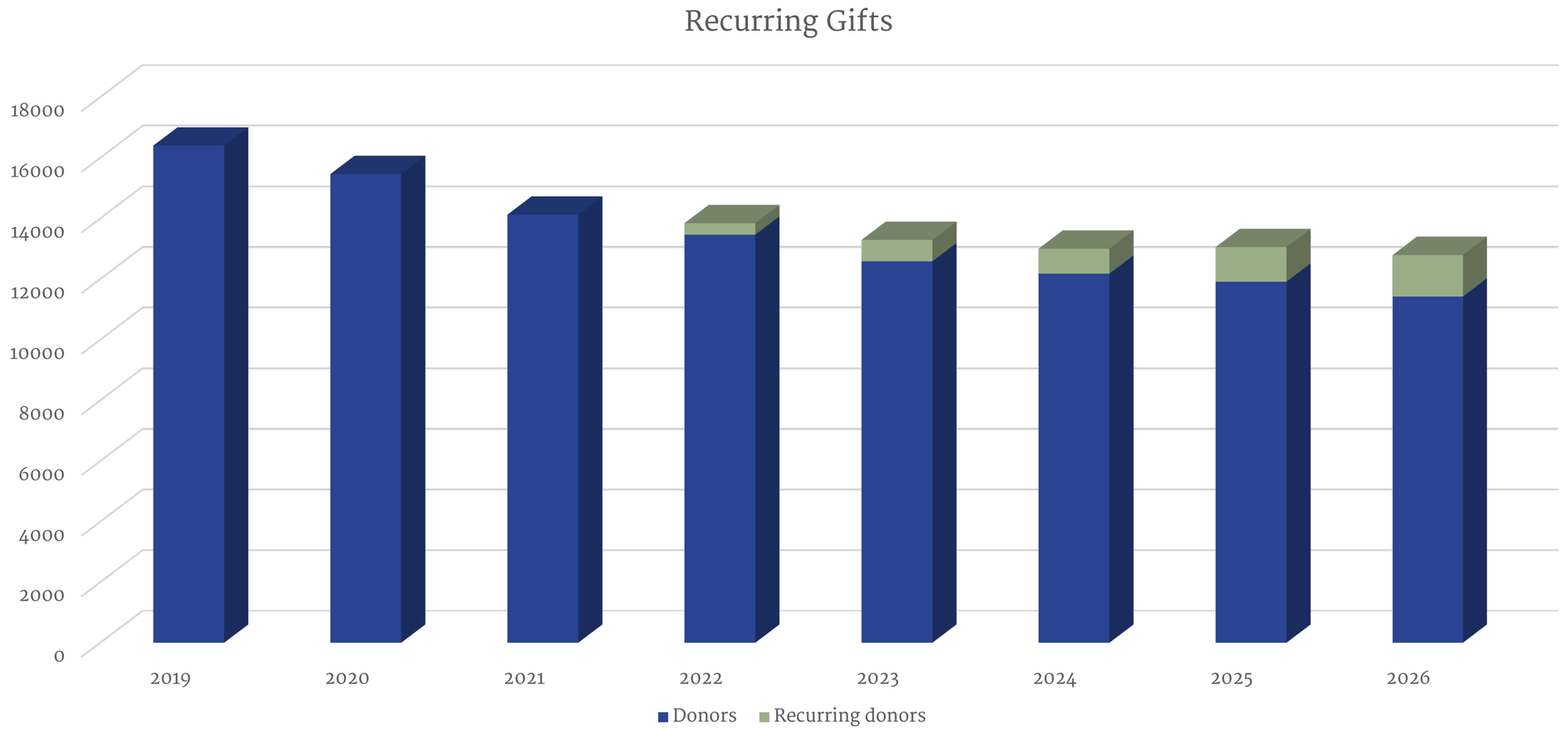
- Diocesan Wide: 21% Participation
- Nemeha Marshall Deanery surpassed Southern Deanery and has the largest participation at 31%
- 4 of the 8 deaneries have a participation over 25%
- Increasing participation will help reach our goal without having to ask the same people for larger gifts.
- If you have not reached 25%, that is your participation goal this year
- If you are near or above 25%, your participation goal is a 5% increase

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Importance of Participation

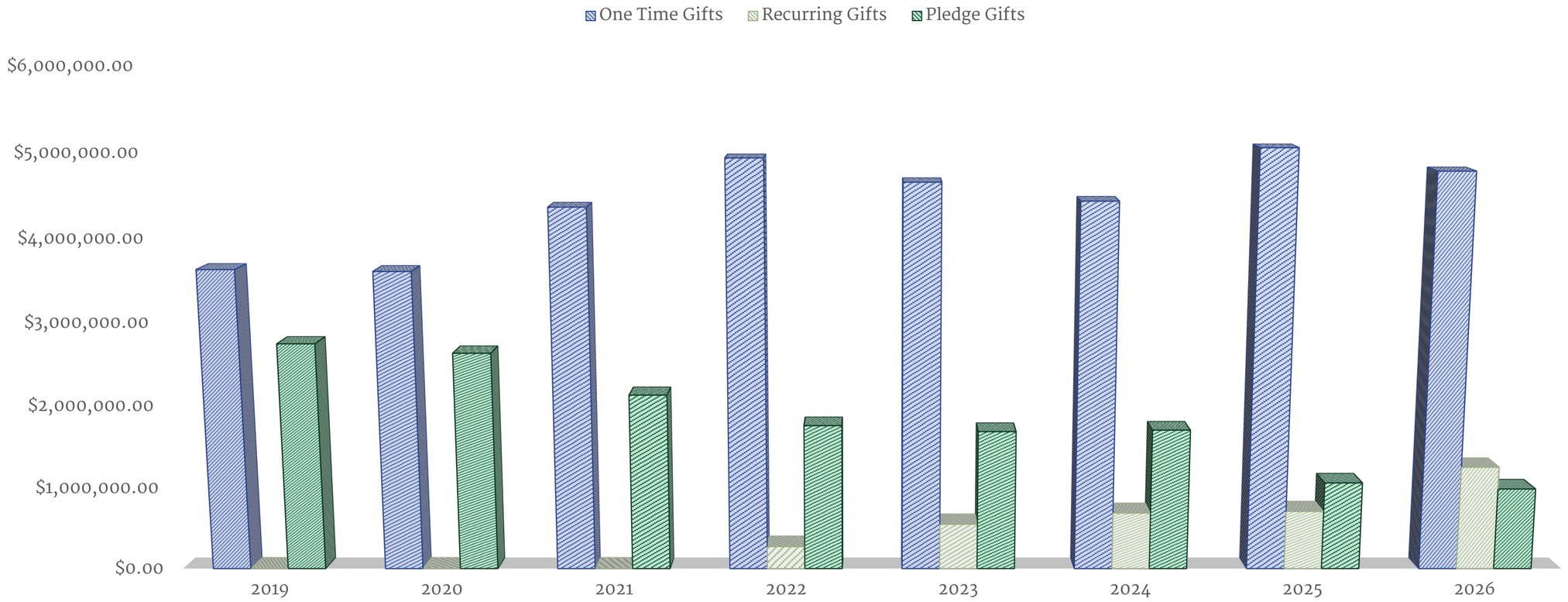
- **Total Families in Diocese: 60,097**
  - Avg Gift $557
- **If 25% participation**
  - 15,024 Donors
  - $8,368,5047
- **If 30% participation**
  - 18,029 (2018 donor levels)
  - $10,042,209
- **If participation drops 1%**
  (avg loss last few years)
  - 12,019 Donors
  - $6,694,804
- **Of the Parishes that reached goal – 32% Participation Avg.**
  - 19,231 Donors
  - This would mean over $10.7 mil

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GIFT TYPES



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- The Message–
  - One Archdiocesan Family
- New Name & Logo last year
- Parish Dashboards are back – We need a point of contact!
- New Gift Processing Procedures





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CALL TO SHARE

Continuing for ACTS 2027

- Goals
- No Pledge box on Envelopes – Recurring only
- New Parish Schedule
- Resources
- Catholic Social Media

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Ministry Categories ACTS 2027

- Parish Evangelization Services (Formerly Evangulations)
- Outreach
- Education
- Youth & Young Adult Ministry (Formerly Conversion)
- Ministerial Services (Formerly Stewardship)

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Parish Evangelization Services

- **The ministries below will not be listed in ACTS Materials as the office is one ministry now, but stories from this office will cover work down related to these ministries**

Special Needs Ministry
Deaf Ministry
Social Justice Ministry
Pro-Life Ministry
Project Rachel Program
Children's Catechesis

Marriage and Family Life Ministry
Liturgy and Sacramental Life
Hispanic Ministry
Adult Evangelization
Youth Evangelization

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Outreach

- Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas
- Catholic Community Health
- El – Centro – Topeka
- Emporia – Hispanic Ministry
- Christ's Peace House of Prayer

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Education

- Catholic Schools Office
- Perfect Wings Office
- Donnelly College Blessed Seelos Institute
- High School Tuition Assistance – Bishop Ward/Hayden
- Catholic Education Foundation
- Bishop Ward HS Operating Assistance

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Youth & Young Adult Ministry

- St. Lawrence Center @ KU
- Campus Ministry at Donnelly College, KCK
- Washburn Catholic Center
- Emporia – Didde Catholic Campus Center
- Haskell Catholic Center
- Prairie Star Ranch & Camp Tekakwitha
- Native American Evangelization

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Ministerial Services

- Clergy – Deacon Candidates, Ongoing formation for Deacons & Priests
- Tribunal
- Urban Core – Operations Support
- Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle
- Assumption Church – Topeka
- Communications Office
- Savior Pastoral Center
- Annual Appeal Expense

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Vocations Appeal

FY 26-27

- **Good Shepherd Collection**
  - Priests
  - Deacons & Deacon Formation
  - Seminarians
  - Vocations Office
  - 2027 is last year for Collection

FY 27 Going Forward

- **Fall 2026 Vocations Appeal**
  - Funds FY 27-28
  - Seminarians
  - Vocations Office
- **ACTS 2027**
  - Funds FY 27-28
  - Priests
  - Deacons & Deacon Formation

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Funded in Multiple Ways

- Catholic Charities
- Catholic Education Foundation
- Catholic Community Health
- Prairie Star Ranch
- Campus Ministry Centers

- ACTS funds operations so that gifts to these ministries go directly towards ministry
- It is our job to ask, not our job to say no for people, give people options

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Goals

- Diocesan Goal : TBA – based on numbers as of 10/1/2026
- The number is expected to start with an 8
- Goal will increase with new ministries into ACTS funding
- All Parish goals are rounded to the nearest $1,000

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Goals

- This we take into account :
  - What the parish raised in 2026
  - What the parish's 3 year avg offertory is and what their % of total archdiocesan offertory
  - If you are not raising your fair share of the diocesan goal, expect your goal to increase

No Pledges – Recurring Gift Focus

- Asking people to make the archdiocese part of their monthly support just like they do with any other charity and your parish
- We will provide parishes talking points for recurring gift that also highlight the benefits of this being the way to give to the parish as well
- Moves people from 10 months to 12 months
- Reduces mail costs
- Provides continuous support for ministries

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Appeal Schedule

- Oct 28 & Nov 1st– Crosier Vespers and Reception
- Parish Advent Content in CSM
- First week of Dec – Letter 1 mailed to Crosier Society
- First week of Jan – Letter 1 mailed to general audience
- Last week of Jan – Crosier Letter 2
- February – Moratorium on other parish fundraising
- March 1 – Moratorium ends

Parish Schedule

Feb 6 & 7- Announcement Weekend

Feb 13 & 14– Ministry Weekend – Ministry Speakers & Ministry Flyer * Super Bowl Sunday*

Feb 20 & 21– Commitment Weekend – In-Pew Envelope Weekend

Feb 27 & 28– Follow-up Weekend

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Ministry Speakers

- Who from your parish benefits from ACTS
- Who from your parish supports ACTS and can encourage others to join them in supporting
- What ministries funded by ACTS have an impact on your parish

Catholic Social Media

- What is it
- Why use it
- How it helps you

Why is the In-Pew Process Important

- This is how we engage with new donors
- Many parishioners don't get to know Archbishop the way that they know their pastor. If their parish leader says this is important to support, they will respond
- This is a key moment to connect Call to Share with how it directly impacts your parish
- What is your parishes' Why?

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Connect your Parish to ACTS

- Parish Speaker Who Supports ACTS personally talk about why they give to ACTS
- Parish Speaker who benefits from ACTS Ministries, schools, religious education program, OCIA, Deacons, Outreach, etc
- If you need or want a ministry speaker who hasn't come to your parish recently, let us know
- Dcn. Greer is available to help
- Involve your deacons

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Envelope Procedures

- Once an envelope is sealed, do not open it
- Collect Envelopes and put them into the Tyvek envelopes provided in your materials boxes
- If you received cash as part of the collection and it is NOT in a sealed envelope, deposit this and cut a check to the Archdiocese for that amount. Put that check with the other envelopes into the large Tyvek envelope

Envelope Procedures

- Mail these envelopes in weekly. DO NOT hold onto commitment forms because you only have a few

- Pay attention to address. Throw away any envelope not going to a KCK post office box or the Chancery

- DO NOT MAIL TO:
  - SHAWNEE MISSION
  - KC, MO
  - DALLAS, TX

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Resources

- Box mailed to parish with printed materials
- Digital poster online
- Catholic Social Media
- Any video or sound files on Archdiocese website & CSM
- Archkck.org/acts for parish resources and reports

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Tips for Success

- Use all Appeal Materials
- Passionate Homily
- Report parish progress
- Offer follow-up opportunities
- Promote all 4 weekends
- Be prepared
- Be Positive
- Strive for 100% participation
- See support as a sign of stewardship
- Encourage Recurring Gifts
- Use suggested Prayers of the Faithful before, during, & after the appeal

ANY QUESTIONS?

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