Dear Friend,

Do you ever get the feeling that there’s something greater happening here? With God’s grace, your generous support, and the Casa’s commitment to diligent fiscal stewardship, we’ve been able to meet the evolving needs and growing demand for our services for nearly 70 years! This year, highlights of our shared accomplishments include:

- Mass attendance is higher than ever, and more young families are calling the Casa their spiritual home. We baptized 87 infants—this 90% growth prompted the need for a new volunteer ministry, trained to serve the families of our community and truly walk with them in faith.

- The completion of the new Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust Community Life Center (June 2019) welcomed more and larger nonprofit groups who seek our peaceful grounds and state-of-the-art meeting spaces. We saw a 9.5% increase in revenues, with continued growth projected in 2020.

- The Therapy, Support, and Counseling Ministry (TSCM) now provides clinical supervision for non-independent licensed therapists, with training that instills Franciscan values. All TSCM services offered to the community are donation based. No one is ever turned away for lack of funds.

Looking ahead, the San Damiano Auditorium and the lobby will undergo renovations beginning mid-March 2020, thanks to a generous grant from the Diane and Bruce Halle Foundation. Design elements are intended to create a harmonious dialogue between the Our Lady of the Angels Church and Community Life Center for a more unified feel and functionality on campus.

We have begun to live our future, while flourishing in the present. We do this by remaining true to our Franciscan values and steadfast in our mission to provide opportunities for spiritual growth, healing & transformation, and service to others. There is something greater happening here. Thank you for being part of it!

Peace and all good,

Fr. Joseph Schwab, OFM
Executive Director

Charles P. Brown
General Manager
Foundations for Spiritual Growth

When my mom asked if I wanted to join the Casa’s Friends of Francis Youth Group for fourth and fifth graders, I didn’t want to do it. At the time I didn’t really believe in God—I just kind of had my doubts. Plus, I don’t really talk to people unless I feel comfortable… and when I’m in new places I don’t really feel comfortable. Once I joined the group, I questioned a lot of things in the Bible. The youth group leaders didn’t disapprove of my questioning. They encouraged it, and there was always someone to talk to who really listened to me. They let me branch out and discover my faith.

Before, when I prayed, it just felt like talking. It didn’t feel like something that was holy or special. The more I came to the Casa, the more special and calming praying felt. Now, Jesus is a role model for me, and when I think about Him or pray to Him, it makes me feel nice. I’m excited to go further on my spiritual journey and grow closer to God. And this year, the Middle School Youth Group is going to help me do that. —Peter M.

Foundations for Healing & Transformation

As a member of the United States Air Force, I had a number of negative experiences which left me with a diagnosis of Military Sexual Trauma. After my discharge in 1992, I was able to channel my energy and earn a graduate degree in mental health. As a Licensed Professional Counselor, I worked with traumatized children and families for 17 years. But because of my own trauma, I functioned at a minimal level for years. Just beneath the surface was a boiling cauldron of rage. I felt the world was not a safe place and eventually cut myself off from most of society. I lived like this for more than 20 years—until 2016, when I was introduced to the Casa.

The Casa Veterans Ministry healing programs opened a whole new life for me. They were exactly what I needed to heal what I thought would be a lifetime of misery. I no longer recognize that woman who spent decades in a rage. I have been able to heal old relationships and create new ones. I have been able to embrace my creative self. I am a poet and a painter. And this year I served on a panel at the Arizona Coalition for Military Families — “The Intersection of Psychology & Spirituality in Veteran Healing.” I am a work in progress, and the Casa allowed me to take this very personal journey. I don’t want to think about where I would be without it. —Barbara L.

2019 Highlights Include:

- 2,386 families registered with the Conventual Church of Our Lady of the Angels
- 117,683 communions shared
- 126 students enrolled in Family Catechesis
- 87 infant baptisms
- 1,252 spiritual direction sessions
- 154,640 weekend and weekday Mass attendance
- 4,260 sick and homebound communion calls
Leaving for college was difficult and exciting at the same time. The hardest part was leaving my family behind, and the Casa has become part of my family. I sat on the grounds and cried, thinking I wouldn't be a part of it anymore. Giving back to a community that has given me so much has always been important. First, I performed in the Christmas Pageant as an angel, which grew into becoming a liturgical dancer, and then Veronica in the Stations of the Cross. When I became a hospitality minister, I was able to meet and serve so many wonderful people. People who, in turn, were there for me when I was going through challenging times. And making bags for the homeless, through the Hunger Action Ministry, and distributing them to people we would see on the street made me feel really good to give them a small piece of hope or something to ease their suffering just a little bit.

Now, I am majoring in biomedical science at NAU. I plan to become a doctor to help heal others and show them mercy. It's still hard being away from the Casa, but it's easier knowing that this place hasn't changed—it will always be here for me whenever I need it. The Casa is my foundation. I know that however far away I go, however lost I feel or become, I can always come back here and feel centered and whole again. –Abbie K.

2019 Highlights Include:
- 188,052 estimated visits to the campus
- 1,202 volunteers, across all ministries
- 440 Faith in Action outreach opportunities filled
- 6,000 estimated pounds of food delivered to food banks
- 500 distributed individual Casa Care and Border Bags with essential items
- $10,285 almsgiving for Native Americans and local needs
- 56,865 meals served to program participants and nonprofit guests

Our mission in action and in celebration
Some of our volunteer ministries during Fiscal Year 2019 in support of spiritual growth, healing and transformation, and service to others included:

FAITH IN ACTION
- Act Love Walk
- Apache Fair Trade
- Care for Creation
- Casa Grounds for Solidarity
- Casa Habitat
- Casa Veterans
- English as a Second Language
- Guaymas Hospitality
- Hunger Action
- Just Scripture
- Our Lady's Angels Collections, led by the Family Catechesis team
- Peace Committee
- Valley Interfaith Project
- Gratitude Team
- Investment Sub-Committee
- Lobby/Auditorium Design and Building Committee
- Sustainability Committee

FACILITIES
- Casa Cares
- Casa Gardeners

THERAPY, SUPPORT, AND COUNSELING
- Office and Phone Volunteer
- Volunteer Psychotherapist
- Psychotherapy Practicum Student

ADULT EDUCATION, RETREATS, ADMINISTRATION
- Administrative
- Fine Arts
- Hosts/Check-Ins
- The Saint John's Bible Docents

LITURGICAL
- Altar Linens
- Art & Environment
- Cantors
- Choir
- Casa Children's Celebration
- Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist
- Family Catechesis
- Hospitality
- Infant Baptism
- Lectors
- Liturgical Movement
- Liturgy of the Word for Children
- Newcomers
- Pace Minoré
- Prayer Partners
- RCIA
- Sacrament Preparation for Children
- Sacristans & Mass Coordinators
- Sick & Homebound
- Young Adults
- Youth Group
- Young Families

GUEST SERVICES
- Front Desk Volunteer

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Fiscal Accountability at the Casa
As reported from the Board of Directors
By FY2019 Chairman Steve Lyons and Treasurer Steve O’Neill

The Franciscan Renewal Center continues to be blessed by the diligent and dedicated efforts of friars, staff and volunteer professionals who cooperatively share time and expertise to review, scrutinize, oversee and govern all fiscal matters. Their efforts, in conjunction with the detailed work of the Finance Committee and FRC Board of Directors, ensure compliance with all accounting and legal requirements to ensure the financial reporting provided is accurate and in line with specific nonprofit industry regulations. More importantly, these individuals ensure that financial gifts and the underlying controls over the receipt and use of these gifts are treated in accordance with donor intention and in line with budgetary constraints.

Through the generosity of thousands of community members, friends and foundational grants, the Casa was able to meet the needs and demands of a changing population and operate within its budget for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2019. With your support, we continued to create inspired opportunities for spiritual growth, healing and transformation, and service to others, while preparing our campus for future growth. We are humbled to say that all construction efforts remain debt free.

We are pleased and proud to share the following financial highlights of Fiscal Year 2019:

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Endowment

Investments restricted to Endowments totaled $4,643,109 as of August 31, 2019. In line with the overall policy in place, the FRC uses a small percentage (4% of a three-year rolling average) of these funds to support ongoing operations. So, gifts made to the endowment fund financially assist both the needs of our current operations while providing a stable base of support for future generations.

For information on making a gift to support the Endowment or ongoing Sustainability, please visit thecasa.org under “Give.”

Your Support continues to enhance and strengthen our Foundations for Renewal.

Construction Update
with information provided since campaign inception through August 31, 2019

TOTAL CAPITAL RAISED

$21,275,910*

*Includes actual receipts plus expected pledged gifts

TOTAL CAMPAIGN/CONSTRUCTION COSTS

$20,174,283**

**Includes 1,722,696 in administrative costs, net of earned interest

Through August 31, 2019, completed campaign-related projects include the church, Community Life Center, renovation of certain sleeping and conference rooms, replacement of pool and surrounding plaza areas, construction of the Assisi building which houses 32 guest rooms, demolition of the Casita, and repurposing of Capistrano for the Children's Celebration and Children's Liturgy of the Word space.

During fiscal year 2019, a three-year, $3.3 million grant was received to renovate the San Damiano Auditorium (former church), main lobby and entrance areas. Infrastructure improvements and renovation efforts commence in fiscal 2020.

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