



2026
DIOCESAN
SERVICES
APPEAL

“What we GIVE is
what we have FROM
The Lord”

1 Chronicles 29:14

What is the purpose of the Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA)?

The DSA is an annual appeal, meaning gifts are used to sustain the ongoing, day-to-day work of the Church in our diocese. Your DSA gifts are put to work right away in a multitude of ministries and activities. The dollars are not invested or reserved for future use.

What's the difference between DSA and Stewardship for Saints and Scholars gifts?

DSA gifts support the efforts of the many ongoing ministries across the diocese. Stewardship for Saints and Scholars gifts are a long-term investment in the future of Catholic schools and the education and formation of our children. Campaign gifts are used for purposes entirely different than the uses of DSA contributions. Both types of gifts are necessary and responsible uses of the financial gifts with which God has graced us as the stewards of His Holy Catholic Church.

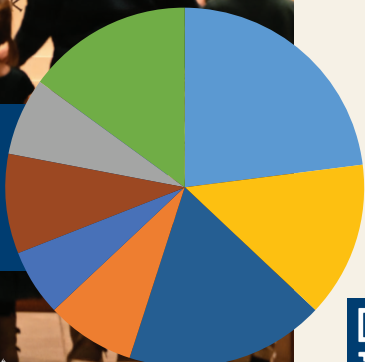
How are DSA contributions used?

DSA contributions are restricted to fund the ministries, programs, and services that offer direct assistance to individuals and families and to our parishes, schools, and affiliated Catholic organizations. These include, but are not limited to:

- Adoption and Foster Care Services
- Campus Ministry
- Care for our Priests – Active and Retired
- Catechesis and Catechist Formation
- Catholic Charities Works of Mercy
- Catholic Schools
- Communications and Technology
- Consecrated Vocations
- Diaconate Formation and Support
- Discipleship and Lay Formation
- Evangelization Initiatives
- Faith-Based Counseling
- FAITH Magazine
- Food Pantries and Soup Kitchens
- Hispanic Ministries
- Hospital Ministry
- Human Resources and Legal Services
- Marriage and Family Programs
- Marriage Tribunal Services
- Natural Family Planning and Life Ministries
- Parish Financial Services
- Pregnancy Counseling and Services
- Priest Formation
- Professional Services for Parishes
- Property and Building Management
- Religious Education
- Restorative Justice/Prison Ministry
- Retreats and Conferences
- Sacramental Records and Archives
- Seminarian Education and Formation
- St. Francis Retreat Center
- Worship and Liturgical Resources
- Young Adult Vocational Formation
- Youth Formationn

DSA contributions are the primary source of income for the Central Services Fund of the Diocese of Lansing. A report of the Central Services Fund expenses in fiscal year 2025 is provided below.

EXPENSES
FISCAL YEAR 2025



- Chancery & Communications 23%
- Finance & Human Resources 14%
- Clergy, Religious & Seminarians 18%
- Catholic Charities 8%

- Properties & IT 6%
- Service Agreements 9%
- Catholic Education 7%
- Discipleship Formation & New Evangelization 15%



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