



## MISSION STATEMENT

Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frederic Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul.

As a reflection of the whole family of God, members, who are known as Vincentians, are drawn from every ethnic and cultural background, age group and economic level. Vincentians are united in an international society of charity by their spirit of poverty, humility and sharing, which is nourished by prayer and reflection, mutually supportive gatherings and adherence to a basic Rule.

Organized locally, Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice. The Society collaborates with other people of good will in relieving need and addressing its causes, making no distinction in those served because, in them, Vincentians see the face of Christ.



**"Be Careful not to overdo it...  
The spirit of God leads us on  
gently to do the good which we  
can reasonably accomplish so  
that we can do it consistently  
and for a longer period of time.  
Act thus and you will be acting  
according to the spirit of God."**

**– St. Vincent de Paul**



**"To be involved in the service of  
Jesus is a sacred trust to which  
we have been invited."**

**– St. Vincent de Paul**



**"I want all young people with  
both head and heart to assemble  
for some charitable work."**

**– Blessed Frédéric Ozanam**