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A Question of Vocation

By Gordon DeMarais, Founder & Executive Director

Recently one of my young adult children asked me why I made the choices that I have in my life. "You could have had a different job. You could have had fewer children. Mom could have pursued her career instead of homeschooling us." I was glad for the question. My inquiring son is at a very important place in his life, and is confronted with decisions and choices that will impact the whole of his future. I welcomed the opportunity to speak with him about vocation.

As Christians, we believe every person has a vocation, or calling, from God. We experience that calling first in the very experience of 'being.' We are created. We did not choose to be. As such, we need to look to our Creator for meaning and purpose. Revelation teaches us that the call of our lives is to reflect the image of God in which we are created by loving Him with our whole heart, mind, and strength and loving our neighbor as ourselves. We find our lives, Jesus tells us, when we give our lives away to God and to others. This is our vocation as disciples of Jesus Christ. Every choice in our lives, whether big or small, should be informed and motivated by this fundamental call.

An SPO Alumnus Bishop

On October 10, 2013, Rev. Andrew Cozzens was appointed by Pope Francis to be a Bishop of the Archdiocese of St. Paul & Minneapolis. His appointment is a moment of thanksgiving and rejoicing for us in SPO. While there are many SPO alumni serving the people of God in priestly and religious vocations, Bishop Cozzens is the first who will serve as Bishop. He lived in an SPO Summer Formation Household in 1989 and 1990 while he was a student at Benedictine College. He also served as a full-time SPO Missionary before entering the seminary in 1993. Bishop Cozzens has served on SPO's board of directors since 2011 and was recently appointed president of the board.



Gordon DeMarais and family

In a recent interview, Bishop Cozzens spoke of his vocational discernment:

“ I did have a pretty strong priestly calling since childhood, but the idea seemed a little miserable: 'God wants me to do this and I have to do it.' When I met people from SPO who were really on fire with their faith and were living a consistent Catholic life, I thought, 'Oh, so that's how I'm supposed to be living.' I realized that life with Jesus was the thing that I most wanted, and that made it easier to respond to my vocation.”

I am often asked what SPO does to 'produce' so many good vocations. We should be clear that only God 'produces' vocations. He calls and gives the grace to respond. One of the great strengths of SPO is that we foster the conditions for hearing and responding to God's call. SPO engages college students and young adults, calls them to deep conversion, helps them grow to become mature disciples, and sends them to be missionaries in their various vocations for the rest of their lives. SPO alumni remain deeply converted and highly committed Catholic Christians who are leaders in the Church, family, and broader community.

Saint Paul's Outreach is honored to extend our heart-felt congratulations to Bishop Andrew Cozzens, and pledge to him our prayers that God may bless him abundantly in his new vocation.



Program Delivery

We carry out our evangelization strategy by recruiting and training young people to be **Missionaries** on college campuses. Some are recent graduates who serve full-time. Others are part-time student volunteers.

We establish **Chapters** on college campuses led by our Missionaries. At the heart of an SPO Chapter is an evangelistic community of students and staff that reaches, calls, forms, and sends young people to be life-long disciples and leaders in the New Evangelization. The life of a Chapter is based on Christ-centered relationships and a structured pattern of frequent events and activities.

Chapters are run by **Mission Centers**. These are operational hubs that are named after the state in which they are headquartered: currently Arizona, Florida, Kansas, Minnesota, New Jersey, Ohio, and Texas. Their primary purpose is to establish and run Chapters on local campuses.

Mission Centers are supervised and supported by the **National Office** in West St. Paul, Minnesota.

Mission

Saint Paul's Outreach actively invites college students to a life of Christian discipleship. With St. Paul as our example, we create vibrant, faith-filled environments that challenge students to deepen their relationships with Christ in the fullness of the Catholic Church.

Values

Renewed Catholicism

We advance the renewal of authentic Catholic life on college campuses, rooted in Sacred Scripture and Tradition, faithful to the Magisterium of the Catholic Church, and confident in the help of the Holy Spirit.

The New Evangelization

We follow the example of Saint Paul the Apostle by proclaiming the Gospel so that all might come to faith and maturity in Christ.

Life-changing Communities

We create transformative environments to challenge and equip college students to live out the call to holiness in their daily lives.

Servant Leadership

We identify and form the next generation of lay and religious leaders for our Church, our communities, and our world.

Christian Unity

We are committed to the unity of the Church, and collaborate with other Catholic and Christian organizations.



Strategy



Core Programs

Fan Into Flame Retreats

Every year hundreds of lives across the nation are transformed by SPO's Fan Into Flame retreats. These retreats provide college students and young professionals with the chance to choose Jesus Christ as Lord and to live more fully in the power of His Holy Spirit.

“ I would not be a priest, longing to be a saint, or even believing it was possible, had I not encountered SPO.”

Rev. Michael Becker, SPO Alumnus

Households

SPO Households equip young Catholics to live out the call to holiness in their daily lives. Living the Household way of life fosters growth in selfless love and service through daily personal prayer, regular meals, weekly chores, and evangelistic outreach. Because this formation in Christian living and mission is learned day in and day out, components of this new way of life in Christ become habits that last a lifetime.

“ To evangelize means... to teach the art of living.”

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Formation Program

The SPO Formation Program augments Households, forming young people into mature men and women trained in the Catholic faith and life. This vital work for the Church is accomplished through weekly teaching, pastoral mentoring, and accountability groups. These three pillars of the program provide an incredibly strong foundation in the Catholic faith.

“ One of the greatest gifts that SPO gives is formation.”

Most Rev. Andrew Cozzens, SPO Alumnus

School of the New Evangelization

Each summer, SPO mobilizes college students and Catholic ministry leaders from across the U.S. through the School of the New Evangelization. Participants experience dynamic orthodox teaching, powerful prayer, and rich community living. As a result, each year SNE sends out hundreds of young people to bring Catholic faith to life on campus.

“ The best instrument to evangelize young people is other young people.”

Pope Francis



Long Term Impact

There is a remarkable “ripple effect” of SPO alumni who have become leaders in the Catholic community and in the marketplace. They see their lives more clearly, live with greater purpose, and make informed decisions that reflect their faith in Christ. They are renewing the Church and transforming the culture for Christ. This is all thanks to the most unique gift that SPO offers: **deep and mature Catholic formation** that builds a strong foundation of faith and virtue to last a lifetime. The result is thousands of alumni who are truly passionate about living the Catholic faith and sharing it with others.

This Year's Impact



33 Households
Residential communities of students learning, living, and sharing the faith



148 Missionaries
Staff members and Student Missionaries evangelizing college students



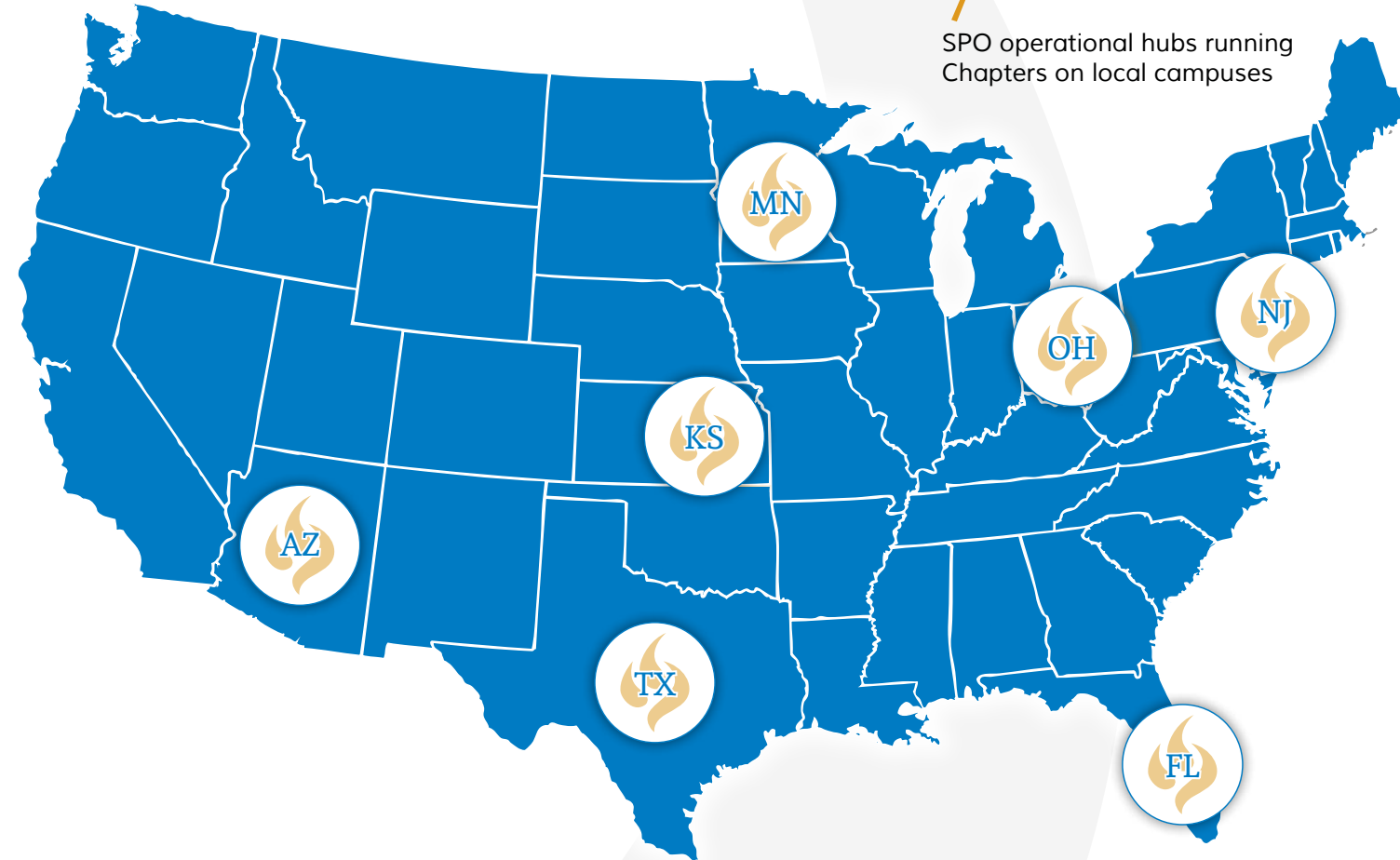
478 Formation Members
Students receiving advanced training in the Catholic faith and life



4800 Program Participants
Students being directly impacted by SPO programs



7 Mission Centers
SPO operational hubs running Chapters on local campuses



12 Chapters Impacting the Following Campuses

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arizona State University ✦ Augsburg College Benedictine College ✦ Bethel University Carleton College Columbus State Community College County College of Morris Florida International University Inver Hills Community College Johnson County Community College ✦ Kansas City Young Adults ✦ Kean University Macalaster College Mesa Community College Miami Dade College Montclair State University New Jersey Institute of Technology | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Normandale Community College Nova Southeastern University Ohio Dominican University The Ohio State University ✦ Raritan Valley Community College Rockhurst University Rutgers University - New Brunswick Rutgers University - Newark Seton Hall University ✦ Scottsdale Community College St. Catherine University St. Olaf College ✦ St. Paul College St. Thomas University Stevens Institute of Technology Texas State University ✦ The King's College | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Union County Community College University of Miami - Florida ✦ University of Minnesota ✦ University of Missouri - Kansas City University of Northwestern University of St. Thomas ✦ West Virginia University ✦ |
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✦ SPO Chapter



SNE13 This past August, 227 students, staff, and campus ministry leaders from across the country gathered for eight days of intensive training, powerful prayer, and deep fellowship provided by SPO's increasingly popular **School of the New Evangelization**. SNE13 highlights included a day of community service, a presentation on the topic of disciples becoming disciple makers, and a closing call to live by faith, surrendering decisions to the will of God. Students left equipped to share their new way of life on college campuses and around the world.



Mission Center News

Arizona



Based at [Arizona State University](#) SPO Arizona has, in the last two years alone, celebrated the quadrupling of student participation, doubled its staff to support the growing interest, and moved into two new apartments to create optimal Household environments for mission. From humble beginnings to today's rapidly expanding presence on campus, the Arizona Mission Center is blessed with energetic Mission Leaders and young hearts open to hearing and spreading the Gospel!

Kansas



SPO Kansas has a bigger presence than ever before, establishing a third Chapter at [Johnson County Community College](#), in addition to its [Kansas City Young Adults](#) and [Benedictine College](#) Chapters. As a result, Kansas City formation nights are thriving, with 50 members joining just this year. SPO Missionaries have also started a street ministry initiative, reaching out to and praying with more than 250 young adults. On-campus events are equally fruitful at Benedictine College; in collaboration with the Campus Ministry program, Saint Paul's Outreach recently led 200+ freshmen during the school's ALPHA Retreat.

Florida



After a number of years of student-led efforts, Saint Paul's Outreach now has staff on the ground at the [University of Miami](#), working closely with UCatholic Campus Ministry. In just a few short months, SPO Florida has established a Catholic Living House and are leading weekly Men's Nights. Monsignor Carruthers of UCatholic Campus Ministry notes, "SPO Missionaries assist us in advancing the outreach needed to invite students into a deeper encounter with the Lord, forming them in that encounter, and empowering them to evangelize. We could not take the next steps toward which we are currently called without them."

Minnesota



SPO Minnesota continues to grow in both impact and ingenuity! Last year marked the launch of a speaker series at the [University of Minnesota](#) based on Andy Stanley's "The New Rules for Love, Sex & Dating," during which Mission Leaders encourage students to reconsider how they view and live out their masculinity and femininity. Today, SPO efforts at "The U," along with great work from Mission Leaders at the [University of St. Thomas](#) and [St. Olaf College](#), are enabling the evangelization of more than 1,000 students.

New Jersey



SPO New Jersey is bringing "Catholic Faith Alive on Campus" to a new level, taking up residence in Boland Hall, an on-campus dorm housing more than 700 first-year students at [Seton Hall University](#). The Missionary-in-Residence program is a natural complement to SPO Households, which continue to flourish. In addition to community living initiatives, SPO New Jersey launched its own "The New Rules for Love, Sex, and Dating" speaker series, with almost 350 students attending. Such success would not be possible without the support of key Church leaders, most notably Archbishop John Myers, who was honored for his support at the 2013 Benefit Banquet.

Ohio



SPO Ohio has Chapters based at [The Ohio State University](#) and [West Virginia University](#). The Mission Center has more Missionaries than ever before, supporting 40 students in Households (including two new Houses on West Virginia University campus) and more than 150 students in small groups. Through the vision and generosity of lead donors in Columbus, SPO purchased a 5,000 square foot house across the street from the Ohio Union in the heart of student culture at OSU. The house will serve as a base for launching a new season of evangelization on the OSU campus when SPO Missionaries and students move in next fall.

Texas



SPO Texas, based at [Texas State University](#), is partnering closely with Our Lady of Wisdom University Parish to bring Catholic faith to life on campus in the Lone Star State! The Mission Center launched its Formation Program at the start of the 2012-2013 school year, which quickly grew to 30 students. Monthly praise-and-worship events are attracting more than 50 students, and SPO Mission Leaders are supporting more than 40 students in small groups. Men's Household members also relocated to a new home closer to campus and fraternity houses, promising an exciting opportunity to evangelize even more students this year.

Future Mission Centers



Ten years ago, SPO only existed in Minnesota. Since then, we have opened six additional Mission Centers across the country. We want as many college students as possible to encounter Christ and the fullness of the Catholic faith. Our vision is to continue expanding our impact nationwide, opening [30 Mission Centers](#) across the U.S., each with Chapters on various local campuses including all major universities in the country.



SPO recently joined with some of our earliest alums in celebrating 20 years of the **Companions of Christ**, a canonically established public association of priests who pray together, support each other, and reside together where possible. The fraternity was the 1992 brainchild of six SPO alums (then SPO Missionaries living in Household) who were discerning the priesthood, yet reticent to walk away from their communal living and structure of accountability. Twenty years later, the Companions of Christ is a vibrant, growing community of priests with presence in both the Archdiocese of St. Paul & Minneapolis, and the Archdiocese of Denver.



Photography by the Companions of Christ

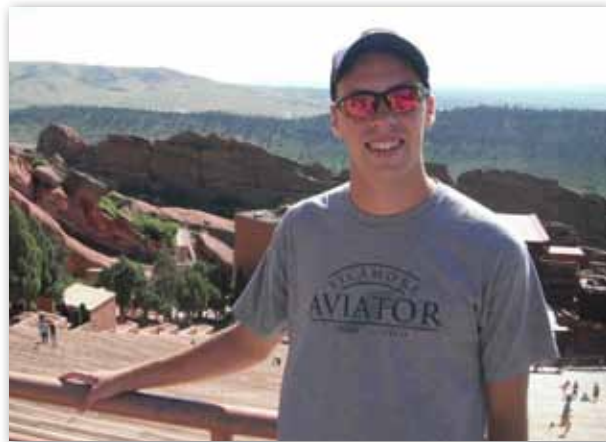
Student Spotlight

By Patrick Stucker
Sophomore, The Ohio State University

At the start of my freshman year of college, I was searching for a place of value, purpose, and identity. I went to parties, drank plenty of alcohol, and made a mess out of my former dating relationship. I joined a Greek fraternity to grow as a man, but found that I was instead becoming a selfish boy, for I only achieved worldly success in pride and falling further away from God. I signed a lease to live in the fraternity house the following year, sure to continue the "frat-bro" lifestyle.

God wouldn't have it. I attended daily Mass one afternoon last February, and my life was completely changed. I encountered Christ for the first time: the Lord told me to "Die to self and own the faith." Following Mass, a student from Saint Paul's Outreach introduced himself to me and after talking with him for just two minutes, he invited me to adoration. What kind of guy asks another to go to adoration after just meeting him?! Surely, God was continuing to reach for me, asking for my trust in Him.

I said yes. Yes! That was all God needed to introduce me to SPO, a joyful community of brothers and sisters through which I have found value in my current life state, purpose in the mission of evangelization, and identity in God alone.



I traded the fraternity party scene for 6:00 a.m. prayer and breakfast with fellow Catholic students. I dropped my membership with the fraternity and now I'm living in the SPO Men's Household, learning to be a man to men and a servant to the Lord.

SPO has changed my life and, by God's grace, will continue to change the lives of countless college students. God is calling upon each of us. All it takes is a yes. Answer the call.

Alumni Spotlight

By Sister Gloria Therese Laven, OCD
Directress of Postulants and Novices, Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles

A simple invitation is what drew me into Saint Paul's Outreach. In 1986, I was a student at the University of St. Thomas and was invited to a pizza party. That party ended up turning into our Wednesday night meetings, which began with maybe twelve or fifteen college students, then increased to 50, to 75, and then increased to more than 100. It became contagious! The enthusiasm kept growing to the point that we could no longer contain it just for ourselves; we had to share it.

It became the joy of my life to be with other young adults and find Christ right in the midst of my prayer, my praise, my work. Saint Paul's Outreach did all of that in my young adult years. It was an incredible gift. It was just so fun to turn people's worlds upside down, to help them see a new way of living that would bring them a totally different perspective on what was really important in life.

I remember one of our first parties... the word went out that there was going to be a party off campus, so all these football players showed up and there wasn't one ounce of alcohol. They looked around like, "Where's the keg? What's going on?" But they ended up staying and some of them ended up joining Saint Paul's Outreach.

When I graduated in 1988, I could have taken a number of different jobs, but I wanted to work for Saint Paul's Outreach. God gave me the grace not only to fundraise my own salary, but also



to teach me how to be poor: to place myself in total trust that the Lord was going to provide for me because I was giving fully of myself to Him in serving the Church. And what a great way to help me understand a vow I would eventually be taking!

During our Wednesday night meetings, a lot of my buddies would talk about the possibility of the priesthood. I was just not open to a religious vocation at all. But I realized, "my friends are open to religious life, I should ask the Lord what He wants for me." It was the witness of a lot of good friends being open to the Lord's will for their lives that allowed me to say, "Okay, I want to be open to a vocation if this is God's will for me."

Saint Paul's Outreach played a critical role in my vocation. I have found the fullness of joy in my Carmelite vocation, and it all began with Saint Paul's Outreach. If young adults are willing to take time for Saint Paul's Outreach, it will transform their lives.



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Archdiocese of Miami, FL

How You Can Help



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Pray

SPO Missionaries labor tirelessly to provide the environment and opportunity for an encounter with Christ. Yet, we are still dependent on students' openness to God's work in their souls. Your prayers for the success of our outreach are invaluable. Please pray and even fast for SPO Missionaries and the students who are in such desperate need of the Gospel. Apart from the grace of God, we can do nothing: "Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain." (Psalm 127:1)

Partner

SPO has an effective and time-tested model of inviting young people to a relationship with Christ in His Church. However, as the saying goes, "no money, no mission." Our existence is dependent upon those people who partner with us financially in this work. We frequently receive invitations to start SPO Chapters on campuses all over the country, but we cannot continue our growth without the necessary resources. To donate, visit www.spoweb.org/donate.

Promote

Tell your friends, your children, and your grandchildren about SPO. Encourage your diocese, friends, family, and fellow parishioners to pray for and partner with SPO. Together we can mobilize the Catholic community in the New Evangelization of our young people.

Thank You!

As members of the Body of Christ, we are all called to participate in the Church's mission to evangelize. St. Thérèse of Lisieux, patron saint of missionaries, once said, "Some give by **going** to the missions; some by **giving** to the missions. Without both there are no missions." SPO hosts a variety of annual fundraising and advancement initiatives, providing individuals and organizations with opportunities to further support the mission of Saint Paul's Outreach.

Intimate Gatherings



Throughout the year, individuals graciously open their homes to Saint Paul's Outreach, allowing us to introduce our mission to their friends and business contacts in a relaxed setting. Local Church leaders often attend to show their support, as well.

Golf Classic



Summer time is ideal for gathering friends and supporters for a day on the course to benefit Saint Paul's Outreach! Last August, the Minnesota Mission Center hosted its 15th annual Golf Classic, which boasted a full field of golfers and an impressive roster of corporate sponsors.

Benefit Banquets



As Mission Centers grow, Saint Paul's Outreach provides the opportunity for various corporate, Church, and individual supporters to come together to celebrate the fruit of the ministry and to benefit Saint Paul's Outreach. Last year, Benefit Banquets were held in Kansas, Minnesota, New Jersey, and Ohio.

Men on a Mission



Men on a Mission is a monthly breakfast gathering of Catholic professional men supporting the mission of Saint Paul's Outreach. Presentations affirm attendees in their vocations as husbands, fathers, grandfathers, and leaders in their organizations. Recent keynote speakers include six-time NFL Pro Bowl center **Matt Birk** and internationally renowned Catholic author **George Weigel**.





Balance Sheet

as of June 30, 2013

Assets

Current Assets

Cash	617,471
Accounts Receivable	41,285
Pledges Receivable	574,046
Prepaid Expenses	21,909
TOTAL	\$1,254,711

Property & Equipment

Houses	1,500,719
Office Equipment	38,490
Vehicles	10,125
Less: Depreciation	(222,319)
TOTAL	\$1,327,015

Other Assets

Security Deposits	37,673
TOTAL	\$37,673

TOTAL \$2,619,399

Liabilities & Net Assets

Current Liabilities

Current Maturities of Long Term Debt	15,770
Accounts Payable	37,547
Accrued Employee Benefits	67,984
Security Deposits	67,455
Unearned Revenue	2,485
TOTAL	\$191,241

Long-Term Debt

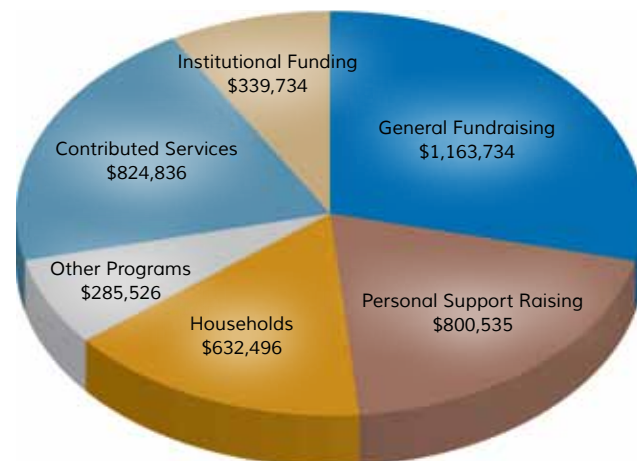
Mortgage Payable	327,766
Less: Current Maturities	(15,770)
TOTAL	\$311,996

Net Assets \$2,116,162

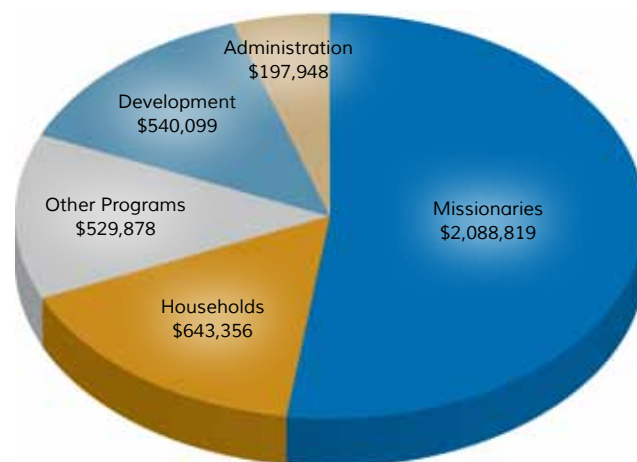
TOTAL \$2,619,399

2012-2013 Income & Expenses

Income: \$4,046,861



Expenses \$4,000,100



Net Income: \$46,761

Excluded from annual income: a \$300,000 long-term pledge and \$737,313 in donations spent to purchase a Household property.

Household income less than expenses due to discounts provided to Missionaries leading Households.

The Saint Paul's Outreach annual audit is conducted by Lethert, Skwira, Schultz & Co. and is available on our website: www.spoweb.org.

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A Donated Household

Last spring, two families in Columbus, Ohio, graciously provided the funds necessary to purchase a 5,000 square foot home mere steps from the Ohio Union on The Ohio State University campus. The house is also close to heavily populated freshman dorms and Fraternity Row. Located in the heart of social culture at OSU, this Household will become a critical hub for our evangelization and formation efforts next year.

Formation to Maturity in the New Evangelization

By Brian Fischer, National Mission Director

In St. Paul's letter to the Romans, he encourages the early disciples not to lose heart over the trials they are facing, "because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope."¹ St. James also reminds the early Church: "the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything."² One of the greatest concerns for the early Church was not how many people were in the pews, but how many would persevere amidst the challenges they would face. Perseverance is the real test of evangelistic fruit.

For almost 30 years now, Saint Paul's Outreach has been reaching college students and young adults with the life-changing message of Jesus Christ and His Church. In our experience we find that most Catholic young people on college campuses today do not have the foundations necessary to set them on the road to life-long discipleship. If someone is going to persevere in the faith amidst the challenge of an ever-increasing secularized culture, a deeply-rooted, mature faith is essential.

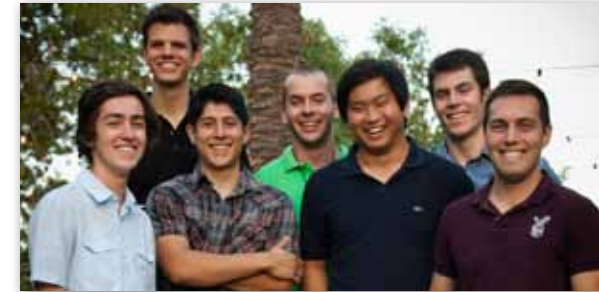
The values of the Church and the ideas of the modern world seem to diverge more and more. When asked how it will be possible for the Church to get through to people in the future, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI had this to say:

"If society in its totality is no longer a Christian environment, just as it was not in the first four or five centuries, the Church herself must form cells in which mutual support and a common journey ... can be experienced and put into practice."³

Building Community

Formation to Christian maturity is integral to the success of the New Evangelization, and happens best in a Christian environment or community. A person cannot receive effective formation in a disembodied way, or simply through one-on-one

mentoring. A communal context that teaches the "art of living" is necessary. Building such environments requires more than exceptional programs and events. What is needed is a comprehensive relational community that awakens faith and brings it to maturity. This kind of environment doesn't just happen; we have to be deliberate about building it.



Arizona State University Men's Household Members

In Saint Paul's Outreach, it is our conviction that building community as the basis for mission is essential to producing the kind of Christian maturity that the world so desperately needs. In the words of Blessed Pope John Paul II:

"We see an urgent need for powerful proclamation and solid, in-depth Christian formation ... There is great need for living Christian communities!"⁴

Our strategy entails building living Christian communities of students on campuses throughout the United States. We do so because this was also the strategy of Jesus, as Pope Francis explains:

"He came to bring the love of God into the world and He wants to spread it in the style of communion, in the style of brotherhood. That is why He immediately forms a community of disciples, which is a missionary community."⁵

One of the primary ways Saint Paul's Outreach builds formative missionary communities is through our Catholic Households and our newly established Catholic Living Program.

Households & Catholic Living

SPO Households are like family environments. Household members commit to and learn a deeply Catholic way of life, which includes daily personal and communal prayer, regular meals and chores together, as well as evangelistic service to the broader campus. Household life is the bedrock of building a living Christian community on campus.

Recently Saint Paul's Outreach has been broadening the ways that Catholics can intentionally live together through our Catholic Living Program, which is based on a dormitory lifestyle infused with a Catholic foundation. Students who live in these houses or apartments participate in the formative environment that Saint Paul's Outreach creates, but in a less structured way than Households. This new initiative is in the early stages of development; however, it is already showing great promise to increase the number of students benefitting from a Catholic way of life on college campuses.



University of St. Thomas Women's Household Members

Even though we are in the midst of a cultural crisis, there are signs of great hope. Young people are hungry for the kind of formation that will truly prepare them for a life of Catholic discipleship. With the help of the Holy Spirit, Saint Paul's Outreach will be able to form increasing numbers of young men and women who are mature and ready to take their place as builders of a new culture in the Church and in the world.

¹ Romans 5:3-4

² James 1:3-4

³ Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger, Salt of the Earth, 265.

⁴ Pope John Paul II, Saturday May 30, 1998.

⁵ Pope Francis, Angelus, July 7, 2013.





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"We cannot keep ourselves shut up in parishes, in our communities, in our parish or diocesan institutions, when so many people are waiting for the Gospel! It is not enough simply to open the door in welcome because they come, but we must go out through that door to seek and meet the people! Let us urge our young people to go forth. Of course, they will make mistakes, but let us not be afraid! The Apostles made mistakes before us. Let us urge them to go forth."

Pope Francis



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