



# 2021 Annual Report



*Pictured: Reconstruction of Crucifix, Honduras (Province of Slovakia)*

## Advancing Towards Development Impact

The VSO Annual Report provides a quick overview that reflects the general patterns emerging from all the assisted projects in 2021. The consolidated review also presents an option for a self-critique to make a critical sense of the collaborative initiatives in mission and formation, pastoral services and social development from the optic of the poor. The bottom line of all emerging project types (including formation-focused efforts) and tentative categories is the quality of services and benefits they bring about on the very poor and vulnerable sectors. Amidst the diversity of regional contexts, the VSO underscores our shared heritage of advancing the Vincentian option and sense of solidarity with and for the poor, while ensuring the accountability for the mobilized resources as the patrimony of the poor.

As the VSO approaches the 20<sup>th</sup> year of sustained services as the International Development Office of the Congregation of the Mission, we enjoin our confreres and implementing partners to critically assess and consolidate the incremental impact of initiated projects in line with the Global Development Framework of the United Nations-Sustainable Development Goals (UN-SDGs). Within the **broad 'spectrum of development impact' of the UN-SDGs**, the 2021 VSO-assisted projects have modestly delivered initial benefits in addressing: basic needs and social services (food security, health, education, clean water and sanitation); environmental justice through clean and renewable energy; socio-economic development and poverty reduction; gender equality and social inclusion of the vulnerable; empowerment and *(continued on page 2)*

In 2021 the VSO supported 49 projects in 21 countries with \$1,201,753 USD

### Distribution by Project Activity and Type

**PROJECT TYPES:**

**Administration:** projects directly supporting the Vincentian priests and brothers in the missions  
Dollars Spent: **\$6,460**

**Religious Formation:** projects for the initial or ongoing training of priests and/or brothers  
Dollars Spent: **\$299,830**

**Pastoral Projects:** projects supporting the laity's religious instruction, spiritual growth and worship  
Dollars Spent: **\$447,299**

**Socioeconomic Projects:** projects supporting the material needs and development of people and communities  
Dollars Spent: **\$448,163**

**PROJECT ACTIVITY:**

Construction	\$685,554
Equipment	\$291,912
Materials	\$54,784
Programs	\$27,318
Scholarship	\$6,460
Vehicles	\$135,724

2021 Total VSO operating costs: \$201,111.

2021 VSO operating costs per dollar distributed: \$0.17

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institutional development (see related database). Aligning with the UN Frameworks make our VSO projects viable and accountable for the poor as well as strategic, sustainable and scalable towards our envisioned systemic change.

By Fr. Joel Bernardo, C.M.,  
Executive Director of the VSO



**1 NO POVERTY**

\$259,094 of funding worked to reduce poverty

**2 ZERO HUNGER**

\$87,941 of funding increased food security

**3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING**

\$205,427 of funding ensured healthy lives

**4 QUALITY EDUCATION**

\$358,956 of funding promoted quality education

**5 GENDER EQUALITY**

\$23,334 of funding empowered women and girls

**6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION**

\$21,739 of funding increased access to clean water

**7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY**

\$130,322 of funding increased access to renewable energy

**8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH**

\$23,334 created new, reliable employment

**16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS**

\$59,520 of funding reinforced inclusive institutions

\*Due to the cross-cutting nature of the UN SDGs, a single VSO project often supported multiple goals

# PROJECTS 2021

These are some of the projects made possible with the help of our collaborators and donors throughout 2021. For even more information on the projects, please visit our website: [www.cmglobal.org/vso-en/](http://www.cmglobal.org/vso-en/)



India: Four motorbikes for the socio-pastoral works of the Vincentian Missions at Jubaguda, Kottogodo, Dukuma, and Padangji

India: Three motorbikes for DePaul Seminary, St. Joseph Church and Sountham Social Service



India: Jeep for mission station at Wakka in Arunachal Pradesh, Miao Diocese

## ASIA



India: Furnishing the girl's hostel at Klurdung, Assam



Vietnam: Construction of a pastoral house for catechism class, choir practice, and other community activities





**Chad:**  
Purchase of  
three  
motorbikes for  
the Parish  
Mission of  
Bebalem



**Democratic Republic of Congo:**  
Computer lab for the  
Saint Vincent DePaul School  
Complex in Kinshasa



**Rwanda:**  
Installation of  
sanitary  
equipment  
including hand  
washing  
stations for the  
fight against  
COVID-19 for  
the church of  
the Mahama  
Refugee Camp

## AFRICA



**Burundi:** Electrification of the  
parish complex, presbytery, and  
60 local homes in Rwisabi and  
Kidasha

**Tanzania:** Construction of an  
Open-Air Pavilion at De Paul School



**Ethiopia:**  
Construction of  
new presbytery  
for the catholic  
community of  
Kochi of the  
Apostolic  
Vicariate of  
Nekempte



Nigeria: Roofing Of St. Mary's College Multi-Purpose Auditorium



Tunisia: House repairs for elderly neighbors



Ethiopia: Paving of the playground at Dawn of Hope School



## AFRICA



Cameroon: Construction of a fish farm for food security



Mozambique: Computer Lab for Secondary School in the village of Chinhacanine

Rwanda: Extension of the coffee plantation at Gitare Parish







Mexico:  
Boy's hostel  
and health  
clinic  
renovation  
for the  
indigenous  
children at  
Sierra  
Tarahúmara  
Mission,  
Chihuahua



Cuba: Pastoral house with food program for local elderly population



Honduras:  
Purchase of a  
40-horsepower  
engine for  
pastoral visits  
to the 32  
communities in  
the Santa Cruz  
Parish

## LATIN AMERICA



Central America:  
Food relief for families hit by  
COVID-19



Costa Rica: Renovation of the parish hall and hostel

Ecuador: Computers for the Teachers at St. Vincent de Paul College



## More projects from 2021 not pictured:

### Cameroon:

- Bus for the Scholasticate Saint Vincent de Paul
- Dinnerware, kitchen goods and appliances for the seminary

### Chad:

- Multi-purpose hall for Lycée Collège St. Jean-Baptiste de Bebalem
- Solar energy for Vincentian Community House

### Democratic Republic of Congo:

- Chainsaw and tools to create new school furniture
- Equipment for COVID-19 for students and staff at Saint Vincent DePaul School Complex in Kinshasa
- Renovation of a community hall

### Ethiopia:

- Chicken coop for poor community members in Alemtena

### India:

- **Bookbinding machine for women's empowerment through employment**
- Construction of the 2nd floor of the English medium school in the Bapulapadu Mandal, Andhra Pradesh State
- Manufacturing of protective masks at De Paul Apparel

### Madagascar:

- Wall for Provincial House and Seminary

### Mexico:

- Catechism in Rarámuri for children at Sierra Tarahúmara

### Rwanda:

- Scholarship for the Pastoral Theology Studies of Fr. Jean Pierre Kashori, C.M.

### Tanzania:

- Construction of a Boys' Hostel at DePaul School, Mbinga
- Construction of a wall for the pastoral and spiritual care center, Dar es Salaam
- Construction of DePaul Minor Seminary, Dodoma
- Equipment for a computer lab for the DePaul Seminary, Morogoro
- Equipment for the Vincentian Novitiate, Mbinga
- Partial fencing for Regional House

### Ukraine:

- Renovating the Parish Center of St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Kharkiv

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~and many individual contributors, confreres, family and friends of our Vincentian missionaries .



**Sierra Leone:**  
Water borehole for school complex



**Cameroon:**  
Construction of a gated wall for St. Vincent DePaul Yaoundé Major Seminary





Ukraine (pre-war):  
Retreat for disabled residents of the Zaluchansk orphanage and boarding school



Papua New Guinea: Training of lay missionaries for pastoral projects



Chad: Construction of a multi-purpose room construction for Lycée Collège St. Jean-Baptiste de Bebalem

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