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 20th 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

**PROJECT ACTIVITY:**
- **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

2021 Total VSO operating costs: $201,111.
2021 VSO operating costs per dollar distributed: $0.17

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*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/

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

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

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

ASIA

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

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 Nekempe
AFRICA

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

Ethiopia: Paving of the playground at Dawn of Hope School

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

Rwanda: Extension of the coffee plantation at Gitare Parish

Tunisia: House repairs for elderly neighbors

Cameroon: Construction of a fish farm for food security
Honduras: Purchase of a 40-horsepower engine for pastoral visits to the 32 communities in the Santa Cruz Parish.

Cuba: Pastoral house with food program for local elderly population.

Mexico: Boy’s hostel and health clinic renovation for the indigenous children at Sierra Tarahumara Mission, Chihuahua.

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 Tarahumara

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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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