

## BOARD RESOLUTION ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA FOOD PANTRY

At the Thursday, July 25, 2019, meeting of Board of Directors of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul Archdiocesan Council of St. Louis the following recommendation was proposed and approved.

WHEREAS the St. Anthony of Padua [SAP] Food Pantry currently operates as a Special Work of the SAP SVDP Conference, is well respected, and provides important and needed services to the residents of the SAP Parish area;

WHEREAS the SAP Food Pantry operations have become large and complex and the SVDP Conference and the Pastor of SAP Parish both acknowledge that they are unable to provide adequate oversight of the SAP Food Pantry;

WHEREAS the St. Louis Archdiocesan Council, the SAP SVDP Conference, the Pastor of SAP Parish, and the interim Director of the SAP Food Pantry (Sr. Marie Orf, CPPS) have agreed that the SAP Food Pantry should become an independent Food Pantry;

WHEREAS it is the desire of all the above-named parties that the transition of the Food Pantry from a Conference Special Works to an independent Food Pantry be as seamless and effective as possible;

WHEREAS this recommendation was unanimously recommended by the Finance Committee on July 17, 2019;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, while the SAP Food Pantry is still a Special Work of the SVDP Conference (prior to December 31, 2019), the St. Louis Archdiocesan Council will provide the following support to help ensure the SAP Food Pantry transition to an independent food pantry:

- A one-time grant of \$100,000 to be used to hire a professional Food Pantry Director and provide some operating funds for the calendar year 2020;
- Financial support to cover the legal costs of setting up By-Laws, accounting books, records, EIN, etc.
- The SAP Food Pantry can continue to refer and receive help for clients from the SAP SVDP Conference;

Such support is contingent on the Food Pantry meeting the following standards by December 31, 2019:

- Establishing its own Board of Directors, approved By-Laws, and EIN;
- Creating an appropriate operational accounting system;
- Ensuring the appropriate transfer to the SAP SVDP Conference of all property owned by SVDP;
- Clear reconciliation and identification of Pantry and Conference Funds, and return of all Conference Funds to the SAP SVDP Conference;
- All existing debts cleared or transferred to the new Food Pantry entity;
- The SAP Food Pantry will no longer use the SVDP name, logo, or EIN in association with the Food Pantry.

Board Secretary

Date

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