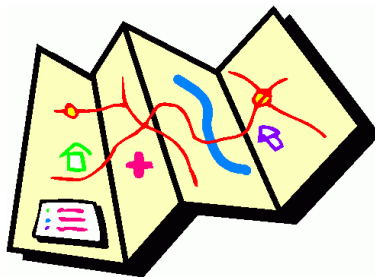


# Best Practices for the 2019 Catholic Charity Appeal

## The Lay Witness Presentation

### “Your Roadmap to a Successful Parish Appeal”



### Why does the Appeal need witnesses?

There are many people who do not understand what the Appeal supports and who benefits from the generosity of our donors. Sitting in the pews, people hear about individuals who get help and assistance through specific diocesan ministries and programs. Also, people give to people. Through a witness, the Appeal takes on a “human face” where parishioners see how their own parish benefits.

### The Role of the Witness

The lay witness should meet with the pastor/administrator to discuss his/her presentation. Your talk should be three to five minutes in duration. Sample scripts are available within our Leadership Resource Manual. Deliver your talk immediately after the celebrant’s homily on your parish’s in-pew weekend.

### Tips for the Witness

Outline your talk using double spacing and large print. Actual stories and experiences work better than statistics. Speak from the heart and strive to deliver your talk in a sincere, enthusiastic and friendly manner. Heartfelt and personal remarks by the witness are the most effective way of conveying the importance of the Appeal. Remember that your words will make a difference.

### What resources are available for my parish’s leadership team?

Please visit our website at [www.providencediocese.org](http://www.providencediocese.org) in order to download numerous informational guides to help in planning your parish’s Appeal effort. In particular, be sure to review our “*Guide for the Lay Witness Presenter*” as well as our “*Lay Witness Resource Guide*.” Looking for someone to speak at Masses on your parish’s in-pew solicitation, please refer to the following Speaker Directory.



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**SPEAKER DIRECTORY**

	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Ministry</u></b>	<b><u>Telephone Number</u></b>
1.	John Barry	Catholic Social Services of RI	421-7833
1.	Kathy McKeon	Catholic Social Services of RI	421-7833
2.	Carol Owens	Life and Family Ministry	421-7833
3.	Linda A'Vant-Deishinni	Elder Services	421-7833
4.	*Stella Carrera	Immigration and Refugee Services	421-7833
5.	Louise Dussault	Catholic Youth Ministry Office	278-4626
6.	Terry Viccione	Youth Ministry	942-6571
7.	Daniel Ferris	Catholic School Office	278-4550
8.	Edward Bastia	Catholic School Office	278-4550
9.	Jim Jahnz	Project Hope / Keep The Heat On	728-0515
10.	Wendy Fargnoli	Saint Antoine Residence	767-3500
11.	Tammy Summiel	Saint Antoine Residence	767-3500
12.	Isabel Pestana	Saint Antoine Residence	767-3500
13.	Mary Beth Daigneault	Saint Clare Home Administrator	849-3204
14.	Linda Peckham, RN	Saint Clare Home Staff	849-3204
15.	Deacon Stephen Cote	Marriage Preparation and Enrichment	278-4577
16.	Donna Warner	Marriage Preparation and Enrichment	278-4576
17.	Esther Price	Saint Martin de Porres Center	274-6783
18.	Pat Kane	Rejoice in Hope Youth Center	942-6571
19.	Martha Paone	Prison Ministry	462-5215

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20.	Michelle Donovan	Office of Faith Formation	278-4646
21.	Edward Trendowski	Office of Faith Formation	278-4646
22.	Eileen Noble	Catholic Charities Outreach Center (Wakefield)	783-3149
23.	*Antonio Andreu Galvin	Catholic Charities Outreach Center (Woonsocket)	762-2849
24.	Irma Rodriquez	Special Religious Education (SPRED)	278-4578
25.	Daniel Mahoney	Seminarian	331-1316
26.	Mark Gadoury	Seminarian	331-1316
27.	Matthew Boni	Seminarian	331-1316
28.	Joseph Brodeur	Seminarian	331-1316
29.	Father Christopher Mahar	Rector, Seminary of Our Lady of Providence	331-1316

**\* Denotes that lay witness presentation can also be provided in Spanish.**