



As a Catholic Church of the Marianist Tradition, we embrace the Marianist Mission Statement and "... are committed to education ... minister with youth ... and are in solidarity with the poor."

June 2024 SFDS Service to Others

St. Francis de Sales now hosts The Center for Reentry Services – The HELP Program has divided into separate 501c3 organizations in order to qualify for more grants and to make it easier for donors to fund a specific activity.

The HELP Program – Empowerment through employment! This program provides training and support to assist people with a felony in becoming reliable employees and good community members.

How you can help:

- Donate gas gift cards, which are used to fuel the HELP vans that transport members to and from work
- Donate Kroger gift cards

Drive to Thrive – Empowerment through transportation! Provides reliable refurbished cars to HELP members who have met their goals, and FREE labor on car repairs with other social service partners.

Next car presentation will be June 2nd, 2024!

How you can help:

- Donate AutoZone or eBay gift cards which will be used to purchase needed parts
- Donate used vehicles to be repaired and donated to a HELP member. Full repaired tax value is provided for your taxes. Much more than the auction value when using other programs. Text HELP Executive Director Wilson Willard at 513-432-0907.

E4:28 Staffing – (**Ephesians 4:28**) – Direct employment starts here at St. Francis de Sales. 8 companies hire over 100 people per year and lead them on the road to permanent employment.

How you can help:

- Do you have ANY contacts with company HR departments you can share? Any industry. Just help me get in the door! Text HELP Executive Director Wilson Willard at 513-432-0907.

FAIR – **Felon housing program**. – Provides stability to HELP members by linking them with landlords.

How you can help:

- An introduction to more landlords is crucial. I'll do the "sales pitch" if you just get me in the door to introduce them. Text HELP Executive Director Wilson Willard at 513-432-0907.
- Donate small useful household goods such as pans, silverware, and gently used bedroom furniture. Contact Wilson Willard to arrange help with larger items such as bedroom sets. 513-432-0907 (text preferred)

Please place your donations of small supplies on the steps of the side altar at church on any Sunday in June.

Please place monetary or gift card donations in an envelope in the Sunday Collection Basket and label the envelope "HELP program", or donate through our Parish website on-line giving tab.

Learn more at <https://helpprogramcincinnati.org/> or contact HELP Executive Director Wilson Willard at 513-432-0907.