# St Vincent de Paul

St. Teresa's Conference

# Family assistance around Lincoln!

In February, the St Teresa's conference was given a call to aid an individual who needed assistance with rent and had fallen behind on his LES bill.

Grandpa had two grandchildren (2 & 8 years old) living with him after his daughter had been incarcerated which created unexpected expenses. He fell financially behind with the additional expenses of moving in his grandchildren and providing for them. Additionally, his car was stolen, and he had to pay for an Uber to get around town and to pick up the grandchildren from school until his car was found several days later.

The St. Teresa's conference was able to provide rent assistance during this family's emergency to help them stay in their home and catch up on other bills.

### **Our Mission!**

The new SVdP St. Teresa's conference was launched during July 2023. Vincentians are the hands and feet of Christ and "boots on the ground" that go in teams of 2 to visit the homes of families and individuals across Lincoln with emergency needs. We talk to these folks, we hear their stories and needs, and we pray with and for them. Where appropriate we provide emergency assistance with rent, or with utility bills, or food, or car repair, or furniture.

#### **Conference Updates:**

During January through March, with the support of our Parish Family, The Thrift Store, The Knights of Columbus and your prayers, the St. Teresa's conference has provided assistance to thirteen homes. We also assisted other Lincoln conferences to meet especially high dollar needs. With increasing cost of rent and utility services, household needs are ever increasing, and many working families are one emergency away from eviction or disconnected utilities. The St. Teresa's conference is projecting to provide aid for over 54 individuals/households during 2024. Please pray for our conference and all those in need of assistance.

"Carry each other's burdens and so you will fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2

# St. Teresa's Conference Officers

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# How do I get involved?

--Through your prayers --By joining our parish conference --Financial contributions via the envelopes at the church exits, the parish website, text "gift" to 402-925-9925, or the QR code below.

