

State Community Director Report

January, 2020

I hope all of you enjoyed your holidays and my wife and I wish you a very blessed new year.

There have been a few impressive accomplishments from some of our councils in the Community Programs portion of Faith in Action. I would like to share them with you so perhaps you will be motivated as much as these individuals and councils were.

Wheelchair Foundation -

This council amazed us when they reported having raised almost \$9,000.00 for the Wheelchair Foundation. Most of this was accomplished by one individual with the co-operation of several parishes and encouragement from his council. **Council #3127** deserves recognition as well as the member behind its success Brother George Manz. Imagine if all councils could do even one third of that amount where we would be with our charitable contributions to the Wheelchair Foundation. There is still plenty of time to do your part for this worthy cause.

Christmas Hampers -

While this program could easily fall under Food For Families, it has come across my desk as one of the miscellaneous programs that fall under Community.

Council #5468 really put a huge effort into their Christmas Hamper program this year raising....wait for it.....\$115,000.00!!!! This was accomplished with 160 volunteers and a total of 3000 estimated volunteer hours. With a total of 1154 hampers being delivered. What an outstanding achievement! Not every council can achieve such success, however every little bit counts whether it is 2 hampers or 2000. Congratulations on a job well done by everyone involved. And thank-you for your hard work in making this happen

Just a reminder for those councils having participated in the Soccer Challenge all information and score sheets should be sent in as soon as possible so we can determine State winners. Please get this in to me in the next week if you can please.

As well any other completed programs, please send in your reports once they are finished. And remember PHOTOS are greatly appreciated.