



Narrative Accompaniment to Nutritional Development Services Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013

Now in its 41st year of operation, **Nutritional Development Services (NDS)**, a separately incorporated charitable non-profit 501 (c) (3) and a division of the Secretariat for Catholic Human Services, provides meals, food assistance and technical support to organizations that serve children and the poor.

The NDS audited financial statement disclose a surplus of \$ 181,930 for the year ended June 30, 2013 on revenues of \$ 18,299,994. Sixty-eight percent of the total expenses of \$18,118,064 were spent on the procurement of food.

The largest revenue source for NDS is the U.S. Department of Agriculture which enables NDS to sponsor **Child Nutrition Programs** in Southeastern Pennsylvania. Through these federally funded programs, children have access to nutritious, well-balanced meals that are crucial to their physical development and academic success. More than 7,239,083 meals were provided to children in parochial, charter and private schools, residential child care programs, child care centers, homeless shelters, after-school and summer programs during fiscal year 2013.

An additional 2,070,377 meals were made available through food drives to assist parishes and other community organizations in meeting the nutritional needs of the hungry in the five county Philadelphia region. Known as the **Community Food Program (CFP)**, this initiative is supported financially by the lay faithful with donations to the Catholic Charities Appeal, Catholic Relief Services' Rice Bowl and other individual gifts. Foundation grants and corporate support assist us in fulfilling the mission of NDS. In addition to monetary support, NDS received approximately 860,000 pounds of donated food through parish, school and business food drives.