



**Narrative Accompaniment to Nutritional Development Services
of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia
Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015**

Now in its 43rd 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 discloses a surplus of \$ 671,047 for the year ended June 30, 2015 on revenues of \$ 19,470,927. The surplus is the result of the increase in the number of meals served in the school meal program and the special appeal for the Community Food Program. Seventy percent of the total expenses of \$ 18,985,880 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 7,676,609 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 2015.

An additional 2,291,199 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 853,270 pounds of donated food through parish, school and business food drives. NDS also provided fresh produce and lean proteins (chicken and fish) to ten food cupboards that were able to store these items.