

The 500 Campaign

SUPPORTER INFORMATION

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DONATIONS

A two-year pledge with \$ _____ enclosed for 2011 and \$ _____ pledged for 2012.
A pledge totaling \$ _____, to be paid in installments of \$ _____ per (CIRCLE ONE) MONTH QUARTER YEAR.
A one-time gift of \$ _____.

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2010–2011 Impact

Opportunities for the Poor

- **MORGAN CITY:** Helping 50–70 families to achieve sustainability in jobs and housing
- **NEW ORLEANS:** 415 families provided with housing, job-search, and other support to get back on their feet
- **NEW ORLEANS:** 21 homes rebuilt at a value to homeowners of \$2,000,000; volunteers repaired 16 other homes
- **DIOCESE-WIDE:** \$207,500 in scholarships and \$85,000 in grants awarded to support the education of African-American youth

Disaster Response

- **TERREBONNE PARISH, POST-BP SPILL:** 2,000 people reached with community meals
- **MORGANZA SPILLWAY AREA:** Supported clergy to be prepared
- **STATE:** Advocacy changed policies, reducing barriers to housing recovery; contributed to Stafford Act reform
- **INTERNATIONAL:** \$38,000 raised for Japan

Transformative Service Learning

- **NATIONAL:** Over 2,600 volunteers from across the country coordinated
- **NEW ORLEANS:** 14 *Living With Purpose* Fellows participate in year-long program of service, and spiritual development
- **BATON ROUGE:** Launching *Living With Purpose* Fellowship branch in fall 2012

Episcopal Community Services of Louisiana



*Serving the Poor, Working for Justice,
and Building the Beloved Community
Throughout our Diocese*

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ECSLA's Mission

To serve the poor, work for justice, and build the beloved community in south Louisiana.

We fulfill this mission by connecting the resources of our Church to communities in need.

ECSLA believes in ministry with, not charity to, the poor. We strive to uphold the dignity of each and every person with whom we work.

We believe that diverse community partnerships lead to more effective social change. Thus, meaningful and lasting relationships are at the heart of ECSLA's work.

And, we believe that if we are creative in the use of our resources—buildings, talents, programs, and networks—the church can have a transformative impact on the lives of the most vulnerable people around us.



ECS Case Manager Rashonda Bell with one of her clients.

Our Current Programs

We create greater sustainability in the lives of the poor, strengthen our Diocesan capacity to respond to disasters, and create transformative service learning opportunities.

Serving the Poor

CASE MANAGEMENT

A family of four found themselves homeless after the father lost his work at a spillway-flooded shipyard. ECSLA's case manager pulled together resources from all quarters to resettle them in an affordable apartment, tiding the family over until the father secured a new job at a nearby shipyard.

ECSLA's case managers work holistically with families struggling through difficult economic times.

REBUILD

After Mrs. M's drug-addicted daughter stole over \$40,000 of her Road Home funds, she was stuck in a half-completed home. Wheelchair bound, Mrs. M had to crawl across the floor to reach her non-accessible bathroom. In rebuilding her home, ECSLA also restored her dignity.

The economic value of ECSLA's gutting and rebuild work over the past five years exceeds \$14 million.

GAUDET FUND

In stewarding the powerful legacy of Blessed Frances Joseph Gaudet, ECSLA provides educational opportunity to hundreds of students each year.

Responding to Crisis

ECSLA continues to support resilience in the wake of the BP oil spill by providing spiritual care at a series of community dinners throughout lower Terrebonne Parish. We also work with churches to prepare for future disasters with a focus on safeguarding assets, caring for vulnerable parishioners, and serving the wider community.



2010 service corps Fellows sit in front of their house.

Service Learning

LIVING WITH PURPOSE FELLOWSHIP

For seven extraordinary young adults, the opportunity to serve vulnerable residents while deepening their own faith journey was a calling. Through intentional living and service, they seek solidarity with the poor, and are transformed into leaders who live with true purpose.

The next class of *Living with Purpose* Fellows arrives in August 2011 with expansion to Baton Rouge planned for fall 2012.

VOLUNTEERS

For the 12,000 volunteers that ECSLA has engaged in hurricane recovery efforts since 2006, the service experience does not stop when they leave Louisiana.

“This ministry opens your heart to things you may not have been open to. Mission work is a priority for our parish going forward.”