

our mission

To improve the health and welfare of community residents by establishing a Charitable Pharmacy that provides free, professional pharmaceutical care to needy clients who are screened for eligibility.

Improving health care:

The St. Vincent de Paul Charitable Pharmacy will offer comprehensive prescription care to the needy by:

- *Creating a single resource to help low-income people make sense of and access the options currently available for free and discounted medication.*
- *Creating a pharmacy of last resort to meet urgent needs during the transition between qualifying for other assistance programs and receiving medication.*
- *Providing counseling and education by a licensed pharmacist to ensure clients take medication properly, understand side effects and are aware of possible interactions.*
- *Educating our clients about available clinics and programs that can help them get on-going medical care.*

The SVDP Charitable Pharmacy is expected to be fully operational in summer 2006. If you need help accessing prescription medication prior to our opening, please call 513-421-0602.



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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has been helping poor and needy residents of Cincinnati and Hamilton County for more than 135 years. The organization works personally with those in need, regardless of race or creed, to bridge the spiritual, emotional and financial gaps in their lives through neighborhood-based ministries.

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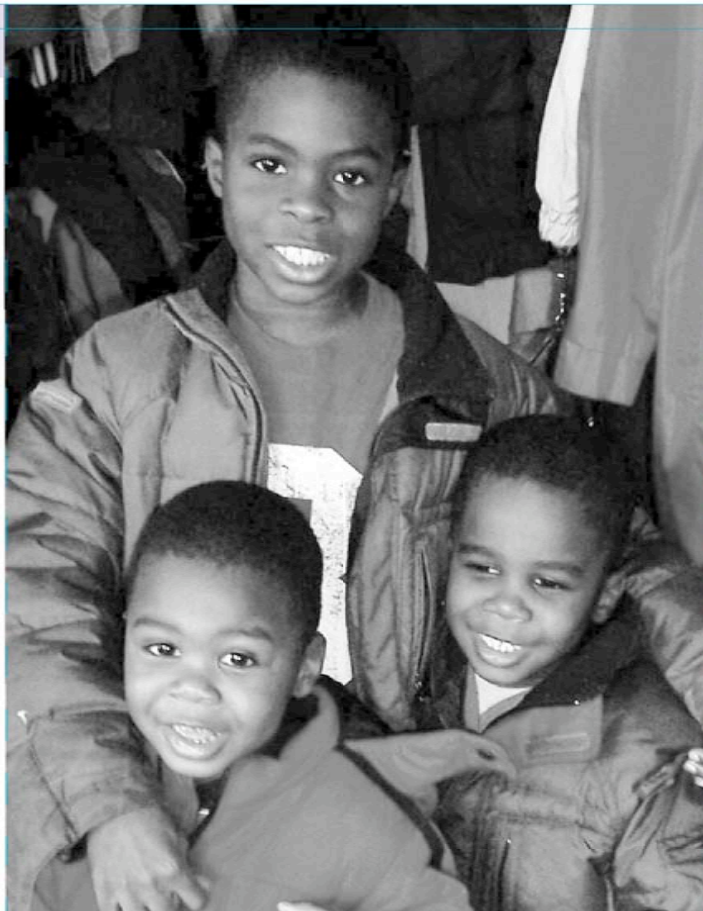
St. Vincent de Paul charitable pharmacy

St. Vincent de Paul volunteers in neighborhoods throughout Cincinnati and Hamilton County have been helping those in need of life's basic necessities for more than 135 years. With the rising costs of health care, a significant number of those we help must choose between food or other basic necessities and their medicine.

Today, these individuals fall into an untenable cycle: they go to an emergency room for medical care, leave with prescriptions they have no hope of filling, suffer a relapse, and return to the emergency room to be built back up and discharged again. The St. Vincent de Paul pharmacy will help break this inhumane cycle of declining health.

"According to government estimates, many of these people are 'working poor.' Some are uninsurable due to 'high risk' medical histories; others may not receive health insurance due to part-time employment or because their employers do not offer health insurance. Some cannot afford the shared premiums or co-pays that may be required to participate in an employer-based plan. Others are 'underinsured.'"

(Source: Greater Cincinnati Health Council, Oct. 28, 2004)



How Pharmaceutical Companies Are Helping:

A variety of resources will be used to stock the pharmacy, including donations from pharmaceutical companies, pharmaceutical samples and in some cases, the donation of wholesale, generic and over-the-counter medications. Working with the Academy of Medicine, the St. Vincent de Paul Charitable Pharmacy is approaching every major pharmaceutical company seeking donations of a wide variety of needed prescription medicines. Participating pharmaceutical companies will be recognized as partners in the pharmacy with a variety of cause marketing benefits.

How you can help

- Make a financial gift
- Volunteer
- Provide information about the program to those in need
- Ask your physician or pharmacist if he/she is aware of the program
- Write a letter of support
- Tell us your story

To donate or get involved in the St. Vincent de Paul Charitable Pharmacy, call 513-562-8841, ext. 25 or visit us on-line at www.svdpcincinnati.org.

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