

## 2023-2024 DISTRICT DEPUTY MID TERM MEETING

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# WOMEN'S RELIGIOUS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (WRAP) (NUNS AND SISTERS)

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#### Why do they need our Support?

- Decline in membership, nuns are vanishing at an alarming rate, physical and financial hardship as they struggled to survive, and difficulty supporting the needs of the community they serve.
- According to recent studies made by the US National Religious Vocation Conference, there had been a 66% significant drop of nuns in the United States over four decades.
- If no one will act and help the present trend, women's religious life as we have known will just remain a memory.





#### Why do they need our Support?

- Catholics and communities need to step forward and help preserve Women's Religious Orders.
- Our Nation need them as much as they need us. We have to continue to work together for God's greater Glory.
- We have to carry on the work that Pope Francis initiated for us Lead the World's Catholics along a journey of intensified action in caring for God's creation.



"...together we can do great things."



#### What are the different ways we can support them?

- Meet with the Women's Religious Orders leadership and discuss how we can assist.
- We can help provide financial assistance to their planned activities.
- We have all the manpower to aid them with food donations and distributions in their respective communities.
- We can provide any help needed in the shelters run by the religious orders.



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St. Mother Teresa





#### What are the different ways we can support them?

- Volunteer to help in any way we can to assist every Women's Religious Order in our Councils, Assemblies and Chapters.
- Prove to them that they are not alone in serving those in need.



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#### How do we track/document support?

- To monitor our assistance, either financially or physically, we need to track by documenting them regularly.
- Each council must document and show the kind of assistance they offered and provided to all the different Women's Religious Orders in their respective communities.
- This documentation should be submitted like any other Service Program activity to the State Council under the Faith Category.



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Let us continue to support this program and

Always remember what Mother Teresa said:

"I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things"









