

September Faith in Action Update

Worthy Brothers,

I would like to begin by thanking all of our councils that have been working hard on their **Faith in Action programs**. I have enjoyed seeing the work being done through the **Form 10784s** I have been receiving.

Thank you to the councils that have been submitting their forms to Supreme. I would also like to ask that you please **send me a copy of your Form 10784 as well**. This helps us keep track of the great work being done throughout the state.

September is going to be a busy month as our programs begin to pick up and we move into the next several months of service. As we plan these programs, let us always remember why we do them: **to serve those in our communities who need our help**.

Service Program Personnel Report — Form 365

Let's start with a familiar question: **How many of you have turned in your Service Program Personnel Report (Form 365)?**

Yes, I know you are probably tired of hearing about this form, but it is extremely important. We need to know who is running our programs and who is responsible for reporting them, especially when programs involve children and other vulnerable individuals.

So far, we are at **77% submitted**. That is progress, but our goal needs to be **100%**.

This also goes hand in hand with our **Safe Environment requirements**. We are not even halfway to full completion, yet councils are already beginning to conduct programs. We need to change that.

I am asking our **Worthy District Deputies and Chapter Presidents** to help ensure that every council is working toward full compliance. Protecting our members, families, children, and communities must remain a priority.

Silver Rose

The **Silver Rose** will continue its journey through California during September. The current chapter schedule is:

- **San Jose:** September 3–8
- **San Joaquin:** September 8–13
- **Junipero Serra:** September 13–18
- **Central Chapter:** September 18–23
- **Kern-Inyo:** September 20–24
- **Los Padres:** September 24–28
- **Mission High:** September 28–October 2

I would love to see **photos of what your councils and chapters are doing with the Silver Rose**. Please share them so we can highlight the wonderful work taking place throughout the state.

Soccer Challenge

Our **Soccer Challenges** should be starting at the council level. From there, we will move into the chapter-level competitions in October.

The **State Soccer Challenge** is scheduled for:

November 21
St. Patrick's School
900 West Beach Street
Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

More information will be coming soon. The Soccer Challenge is also one of our **focus programs for the month**, so now is the time to get your council involved.

Upcoming Programs

We also have several other important programs coming up.

Keep Christ in Christmas — Councils can begin ordering program materials and kits through Supreme Supplies online.

Drug Awareness Program — Please contact **Bob Pineschi** for additional information about participating in this program.

Intellectual Disabilities Drive — October — Now is the time to begin preparing. Councils should start ordering supplies and submitting their participation forms.

Additional information and forms can be found on the California State Council website.

Please do not wait until the last minute. **Start planning and ordering your supplies now.**

September Focus — Aid & Support After Pregnancy (ASAP)

One of our major focus programs this month is **Aid & Support After Pregnancy (ASAP)**.

ASAP is also part of the **new Columbian Award requirements**, making council participation especially important.

Councils can identify a qualifying pregnancy resource center or maternity organization in their community and support it through financial donations and/or needed supplies that assist mothers and their children after pregnancy.

Remember that participating organizations must be consistent with **Catholic Church teachings and Knights of Columbus program requirements**.

For additional information about ASAP, visit:

[Knights of Columbus — Aid & Support After Pregnancy \(ASAP\)](#)

Every Program Is a Membership Opportunity

Finally, **don't forget that every Faith in Action program and every council event is also an opportunity for membership growth.**

When people see Knights serving their parishes, families, youth, and communities, they see what our Order is truly about. Invite prospective members to participate. Let them experience our programs and see firsthand the difference the Knights of Columbus can make.

If your council needs help getting a program started, completing forms, or finding resources, **please reach out. We are all here to help one another succeed.**

Thank you for everything you continue to do for your councils, your communities, and our Order.

Vivat Jesus!

**Joseph Hill
State Program Director**