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Topic:

Value and challenges
of creating a national
network in support of
local service delivery



Catholic Charities USA has:

178 diocesan agencies

1700 affiliates

In all fifty states and the U.S. territories

Serving nearly 8 million individuals per year



Value of a Network

Convening

Program enhancement and replication

Amplified voice in telling the story

Advocacy



CONVENING

Special Interest Sections

Annual Gatherings



In person meetings

Webinars

Conference Calls

Webcasts

E-communications: List serves, e-advocacy



CHALLENGES

Each agencies is unique in its resources, programs and service delivery model

Each community in which service is provided is unique with unique and distinct needs



Making It Work

Looking for common ground to leverage the network

Amplify the work of each individual agency as part of the whole

Being seen as a "go to" organization that can distribute information, goods and generate both media and advocacy on important issues quickly