To walk through these doors is to accept the possibility of new life. For 25 years St. Mary’s Franciscan Shelter has provided and continues to provide emergency shelter for those who are homeless.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, a new bus has been purchased for Assisi House. Now our retired sisters ride in a safe, comfortable vehicle to and from their various appointments.

2012 Annual Report—Sisters of St. Francis Foundation

This year’s annual report is another example of your generous support of our ministries. Know that we count you among our blessings and we continue to pray for you and all you hold dear. This report shows how your donations have been distributed.

Total Donations: $2,324,289

Restricted: $683,699 (29%)  
Unrestricted: $1,640,590 (71%)


The Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia assume operational costs of the foundation.
The Sisters of St. Francis have partnered with the Sylvania Franciscan Sisters to help rebuild the land of Haiti. Our Haitian brothers and sisters are most grateful for your support.

In Memoriam

Mary Berard D’Amato
February 23, 2013

Sister Henry Wyatt
March 2, 2013

Sister Grace Pierre Forrester
March 19, 2013

Sister Regina Dengler
(formerly Sister John Ignatius)
April 3, 2013

Sister Clare Naughton
(formerly Sister Clarence)
April 7, 2013

Distribution of Ministry:
Unrestricted  $ 1,640,590

1. Retirement Fund  $ 500,000 (30.48%)
2. Sisters of St. Francis General Fund  $ 490,000 (29.87%)
3. Undistributed  $ 125,590 (7.66%)
4. St. Joseph Family Center  $ 125,000 (7.62%)
5. TCHS  $ 125,000 (7.62%)
6. Neumann University  $ 100,000 (6.10%)
7. St. Mary’s Franciscan Shelter  $ 100,000 (6.10%)
8. Anna’s Place  $ 26,500 (1.62%)
9. Drexel Neumann Academy  $ 23,000 (1.40%)
10. Mother Seton Academy  $ 23,000 (1.40%)
11. Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center  $ 23,000 (1.40%)
12. Transitions  $ 23,000 (1.40%)
13. Franciscan Spiritual Center–Aston  $ 20,000 (1.22%)
14. Murphy Initiative for Justice and Peace  $ 10,000 (0.61%)
15. Haiti Relief Collaboration  $ 6,500 (0.40%)

Furthermore, every dollar that our donors give is used solely for the ministries and retirement.

Explanation of Restricted Categories

TCHS: The Catholic High School of Baltimore; Spiritual Ministries: Franciscan Spiritual Center, Aston; Parish Ministries: St. Loretta Schaff, St. Anthony Parish (Baltimore), Pastoral Care (Maryland), God’s Extravagant Love Program; Assisi House: Assisi House Bus, Assisi House Windows; Memorial Garden: Trees, Benches, Bricks, and Pergola; Foreign Ministries: Africa, Haiti, and Ireland; Shelter and Social Ministries: Anna’s Place, Child Advocacy, Committee for Responsible Investment (CRI), East Bay Sanctuary, Human Trafficking (Dawn’s Place), Hispanic Ministry (Oregon), Intercommunity Peace and Justice (Washington), Peace and Justice Fund, St. Francis House, St. Mary Franciscan Shelter, St. Joseph Family Center, MacDonald Center, Transitions, Discretionary Fund for the Poor; Education: Drexel Neumann Academy, Neumann University, Mother Seton Academy, and Villa Maria School.