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Dear Vincentians,

We often say “No work of charity is foreign to the Society,” but at the same time many of us question if we are doing the right things. Enclosed with this letter you will find a self-evaluation tool titled Dimensions of Excellence. This self-evaluation can be used to appraise how well your Conference is following the core tenets of the St. Vincent de Paul.

WHAT IT IS NOT: Dimensions of Excellence will not be used to rank or discipline Conferences. It will not evaluate how well you assist those we serve, or participate in programs or Special Works of the Archdiocesan Council.

HOW IT SHOULD BE USED: Your Conference should take the opportunity to gather together and use this self-evaluation tool to recognize your strengths, and look for places where you can grow. We hope this exercise reminds everyone that the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is not only about Service, but also Friendship and Spirituality.

DIRECTIONS:

1. Read each of the questions presented in the self-evaluation.
2. Mark the box to the right of the question that most closely represents the actions of your Conference.
3. For further clarification about the question, you may want to read the text sighted from The Rule, Manual and Archdiocesan Strategic Goals.
4. Once done add up all of the points from each column (all answers in column one are worth four points, the second three, and so on)
5. Record you total score at the bottom of the last page.
6. Discuss amongst your Conference where and how you can improve.
7. Report findings to Archdiocesan Council

Sincerely,

Therese Frye, President
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