

---

## Society of **St Vincent de Paul**

---

### **MANY THANKS**

It is with great pleasure that I introduce the 2003 Annual Report of the Society of St Vincent de Paul in the Northern Region. Without the generosity of an ever-giving public, we would not be able to provide or sustain this level of support to the needy throughout our community.

Without your help it would be impossible to meet the ever-increasing demands and I can assure you that we in the Society of St Vincent de Paul will continue the fight on behalf on the underprivileged, striving to ensure that those in need receive what they are entitled to in justice rather than in charity, where possible.

Whilst donations of money, clothes and furniture are always welcomed, we are always in need of more volunteers. Why not join us; your personal support as a member of the Society of St Vincent de Paul would make a difference! Another person visited, another family helped!

Once again I thank you sincerely for your generous support without which we could not continue to look to the future with such enthusiasm and optimism.

**Larry McArdle, Northern Region President**

#### **And would you like to contribute further to our vision?**

The strength of St Vincent de Paul is its membership—men and women of all ages who contribute in a very practical way to the unfortunate in our community through visitation or through our many special works.

If you feel that you have this talent and a little time to give to others, then please complete your details and return this form to:- **Aileen Coney, Regional Administrator, St Vincent de Paul, 196-200 Antrim Road, Belfast, BT15 2AJ**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Tel \_\_\_\_\_

---

## Society of **St Vincent de Paul**

---



## ANNUAL REPORT 2003

### Northern Region

**HELP US**  
**To help those in need**

[www.svp-ni.org](http://www.svp-ni.org)



### How your money was spent



- Cash Assistance £723k
- Food/Hampers £295k
- Clothing/Furniture £318k
- Fuel, Gas, Electric £197k
- Outings/Holidays £243k
- Overseas Twinning £48k
- Job Creation £10k
- Education £16k
- Home Management £16k

**£1.86m** spent on needy in Northern Ireland during 2003

As well as expending over £1.8m in direct financial assistance, other essential household furniture items were distributed with a value well in excess of £1m

More than 2,650 visits made weekly



[www.svp-ni.org](http://www.svp-ni.org)



### Our Work

Home visitation remains the cornerstone of our work. Members continue to visit the needy, disadvantaged and vulnerable offering spiritual, financial and material aid.

The Society is also involved in many other activities, some of which are listed below:-

- Breakfast & Afterschool Clubs
- Holiday Home for Elderly
- Family Hostel
- Crèches
- Deaf Centre
- Placement Opportunities
- Home Management Courses
- New Furniture & White Goods
- 32 Clothing Outlets
- Hospital & Prison Visitation



2,114 members in 190 branches



[www.svp-ni.org](http://www.svp-ni.org)