Public Donations Add $1 Million to Knights of Columbus Christian Refugee Relief Fund

The Knights of Columbus Christian Refugee Relief initiative has raised more than $1 million in public donations for those suffering persecution in Iraq and the surrounding region. Combined with the $1 million donated by the Order, the fund now stands at more than $2 million, which will be distributed to support humanitarian assistance to refugees fleeing from the ongoing persecution.

Expanding its support for persecuted Christians — and those from other religious minorities in Iraq — the Knights of Columbus is also adding a spiritual dimension to its response to the humanitarian crisis, urging Knights and their families, as well as the public, to recite the “Prayer for Those Persecuted in Iraq,” written by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore.

The prayer, available at kofc.org, asks for a spirit of “perseverance and courage” for those under attack, and asks the “God of all the nations” to “look with mercy on your servants in Iraq who are persecuted for their faith.” It pleads for wisdom that may guide the “leaders of nations to work for peace among all peoples.”

“The Knights’ twin efforts are a concrete response to Pope Francis’ request for prayers and material assistance for those affected by this terrible persecution,” explained Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. He added, “We are asking our members, and all people of good will, to pray for those persecuted and to support our efforts to assist them by donating to this fund.”

Supreme Knight Anderson also noted: “It has shocked the conscience of the world that people are systematically being purged from the region where their families have lived for millennia simply for their faith. It is imperative that we stand in solidarity with them in defense of the freedom of religion and conscience, and provide them with whatever relief we can.”

Those wishing to assist with the relief efforts can donate to K of C Christian Refugee Relief by visiting www.kofc.org/Iraq, or by sending checks or money orders to: K of C Christian Refugee Relief, Knights of Columbus Charities, P.O. Box 1966, New Haven, CT 06509-1966.

Donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc., is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a charitable organization under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, and 100 percent of all donations collected by Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc., will be used for humanitarian assistance.

“Building the Domestic Church” Materials Available

In October, we will launch “Building the Domestic Church: The Family Fully Alive” to help both our families and parishes grow in the faith.

Recently, a mailing of the Building the Domestic Church: The Family Fully Alive booklet (#10162) was sent to all grand knights and other council officers of record. Additional copies of this booklet can be obtained by contacting the Supply Department at 203-752-4320. Additional resources, including an online copy of this booklet, are available at kofc.org/familyfullyalive. Also, each issue of Columbia will include the program’s materials for that month. In addition, the preparatory catechesis prepared for the World Meeting of Families is now available for purchase at worldmeeting2015.org/about-the-event/catechesis/.
Helping to Set the Table: Support Food Banks and Pantries

Knights of Columbus councils have been very generous in providing support to food banks and food pantries. In the 2013-14 fraternal year, councils donated more than 4,400,000 pounds of food and 500,000 man hours of service to help feed people in need.

In order to encourage increased outreach to food banks, food pantries and soup kitchens, the Knights of Columbus will continue to offer financial rebates to councils that donate food or money. The Supreme Council will again refund $100 for every $500 or 1,000 pounds of food donated, up to a maximum refund of $500 per council per fraternal year. Indicated contributions of food and/or money should be cumulative for the fraternal year.

As an incentive for councils to conduct food drives, the Supreme Council will again count a qualifying Food for Families program as fulfilling all four of the Community Activities requirements for the Columbian Award. In order to qualify, councils must complete and submit the Food for Families form (available at kofc.org). Councils should submit documentation that acknowledges receipt of the food by the personnel of the organization that is receiving the donation(s).

Questions regarding this program can be made to Jason Porrello (203-752-4571 or Jason.Porrello@kofc.org) or Quianna Richardson (203-752-4402 or quianna.richardson@kofc.org).

Here are some suggestions for planning a food drive in your community:

• Contact a local food pantry or soup kitchen to ensure they will be able to receive the food. Also, determine if there are specific items that they need.
• Obtain permission (from your appropriate government department, business owner or pastor) to set up the drive at a grocery store or in the church foyer.
• Ask nearby stores for empty boxes in which the donations can be collected.
• Get permission to display posters (#4833) around your parish, community and stores. These posters should include the time and location of the drive.
• When holding the event at a store, pass out flyers asking shoppers to purchase extra food which can be placed in collection boxes on their way out.
• If you are running the event at your parish, hand out flyers to parishioners as they enter the church. Ask your pastor to make an announcement about the initiative, or get permission to have a council officer make an announcement before or after each Mass. Also, request that a written announcement be included in the parish bulletin. In the announcement, ask parishioners to bring nonperishable food items to Mass the following weekend.
• When collecting monetary donations, make sure to have a secure receptacle in your collection area for cash and checks.

For more information, visit the “Community” section of kofc.org/service.

Special Olympics

For more than 40 years the Knights of Columbus has been a strong supporter of Special Olympics. The Knights of Columbus believes that Special Olympics is unparalleled in its ability to show the intrinsic worth and dignity of every human being, and that all can benefit from the positivity and determination of these athletes.

The Supreme Council offers an incentive to councils who support Special Olympics, one of our eight featured programs. Councils meeting the minimum requirements for volunteer hours and funds raised will fulfill all four of the Council Activity requirements for the Columbian Award. The council must provide at least 200 volunteer hours in support of state/local Special Olympic activities and raise a minimum of $2,000. Councils will need to complete both the Partnership with Special Olympics Profile (#4584) as well as the Columbian Award application (#SP-7), which are located online at www.kofc.org. For more information on getting involved, please feel free to contact your local Special Olympics or www.specialolympics.org.

Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit, Christian organization founded in 1976 that seeks to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness one family at a time. Recipients make a down payment, work alongside the construction crew and volunteers, and are then provided an affordable mortgage plan. The Knights of Columbus supports the Habitat for Humanity program in many different ways. For example, some councils donate money to help build homes and volunteer with “sweat equity” for the deserving families. There are so many ways to get involved with this program. Donate your time, your money, your support, your slightly used furniture and your tools — all the things needed to help make this project a success.

As one of our eight featured programs, the Supreme Council is offering an incentive for councils to support Habitat for Humanity. If your council provides at least 200 hours of volunteer service and also contributes a minimum of $1,000 to Habitat for Humanity, it will fulfill all four of the Community Activity requirements for the Columbian Award. The activity must be reported on the Habitat for Humanity Report Form (#10092) and the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728), both due Jan. 31, 2015. The details should also be noted in the Community Activities section of your Columbian Award Application (#SP-7), due June 30, 2015.

Every council can get involved and make a difference, including yours. By working on a Habitat for Humanity building project your council will be showing prospective members that there is a place for them in the Knights of Columbus. For more information on getting involved with Habitat for Humanity, go to www.habitat.org/getinv.
How to Conduct an Open House

Following up your October church drive with an open house provides an opportunity to further introduce your council and the Order to prospects and their families. The main objective is to exhibit the volunteer service programs, social and fraternal activities, and membership benefits that your council and the Order have to offer to members and their families.

- Appoint a committee to organize the open house event, which should be held in your council’s meeting place.
- Set a date and time. Publicize the event in local newspapers and church bulletins, and on community websites, radio and cable television.
- Order quantities of promotional materials, including the *Open House Poster* (#9430), from the Supply Department at least six weeks in advance.
- In addition to the prospects from your church drive, compile a list of other potential members.
- Send open house invitations to prospects and their spouses.
- Follow up the mailing with a telephone confirmation of receipt and availability to attend events.
- As the event approaches, reconfirm all arrangements for site, materials, program, etc.
- Arrange for a display of council scrapbooks, awards, programs, activities, etc.
- Assign each attending prospect to a recruiter who will act as host throughout the event.
- Invite your chaplain/parish priest and insurance agent to your event.

Plan your program:

- Have a welcome committee greet guests.
- Ask your chaplain or parish priest to endorse the Knights of Columbus.
- Introduce officers, members.
- Have your grand knight/membership director explain council aims/organization.
- Ask the insurance agent to explain benefits of membership.
- Show promotional videos (Available at kofc.org/films under the “Fraternal” tab).
- Schedule a question and answer session following the film. Conclude with refreshments or a light buffet.
- Have host-recruiters ask attendees who have not yet filled out a *Membership Document* (#100) if they are interested in doing so, and help them through the process.
- Inform prospects of the First Degree exemplification date.

Ever Wonder “How to ...”

One of the best tools available to help your council with its recruitment efforts is the “How to ... Succeed at Membership Recruitment” booklet (#2769). This booklet is a step-by-step manual that lays out the nuts and bolts of membership recruitment. The areas covered include:

- Organizing your membership committee
- Building a prospect list
- Recruiting using the 2-on-1 team concept
- Holding a church drive
- Conducting an open house
- Conducting a membership invitation program
- Organizing an in-house open house
- Recruiting former members
- Promoting insurance
- Using an Admission Committee
- Scheduling and conducting First Degree exemplifications
- Recognizing council recruiters
- Ordering supplies and membership videos
- Describing the benefits of membership

An electronic version of this information is available under kofc.org/recruit.

Want to Become a Star Council?
Here’s How

An important step for all councils who wish to become Star Councils (which should be ALL councils) is to let the Supreme Council know who your elected and appointed leaders are. Doing so allows us to provide those leaders with up-to-date information that will help them be more effective in their roles, and it will also help your council be more successful.

The *Report of Officers Chosen for the Term* (#185) and the *Service Program Personnel Report* (#365) are both required for councils to qualify for the Star Council Award. These forms can be accessed through the Member Management/Member Billing section of kofc.org or at kofc.org/forms; they are also available in the *Council Report Forms Booklet* (#1436). If you have questions, please call 203-752-4401 or send an email to fraternalservices@kofc.org with the words “Star Council Question” in the subject line.

Your district deputy is also a valuable resource. He will be happy to help in any way he can, and reaching out to him early in the fraternal year will lay the foundation for a relationship that will be mutually beneficial throughout the year.

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for Christians and other religious minorities being persecuted or displaced in Iraq and the surrounding regions.

The Knights of Columbus has a long history of providing humanitarian relief and has done so following the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks; last year’s typhoons in the Philippines; hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Sandy; nationwide tornadoes; flooding in Mexico; and tsunamis in Indonesia and Japan.

In addition, the Knights of Columbus has also long supported persecuted Christians. Throughout the 1920s, the Knights provided humanitarian assistance and created international awareness of the persecution of the Catholic Church in Mexico.
Membership in the Order’s patriotic degree was one of the primary items for discussion during the Supreme Assembly meeting held immediately after the 132nd Supreme Convention in Orlando, Aug. 7-8. Nineteen of the 20 vice supreme masters attended.

Supreme Master Dennis Stoddard reported that membership in the Fourth Degree ended the fraternal year with 340,960 members, roughly 18.3 percent of the Order’s overall membership. He added that 60 new assemblies were instituted this year, bringing the total number of assemblies to 3,169. In addition, 228 Fourth Degree exemplifications were also reported.

The vice supreme masters held a discussion on membership recruitment and set “One New Assembly, Per District, Per Year” and “One New Member, Per Assembly, Per Month” as the current fraternal year’s recruitment and new assembly development campaign.

Discussing programs being undertaken by assemblies, Supreme Master Stoddard reported that during the past three years assemblies raised $848,828 toward the $1 million goal for the Military Chaplains Scholarship Fund. The vice supreme masters committed to collecting the remaining $151,172 balance during the current fraternal year, which would bring the five-year campaign to completion in just four years.

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson joined Supreme Master Stoddard in recognizing vice supreme masters for outstanding achievement in membership recruitment and new assembly development at the awards ceremony following the business session. He acknowledged this year’s two top performing vice supreme masters: Charles Dover Jr. of the John H. Reddin Province (118 percent of membership quota); and Carlos Colorado of the San Felipe de Jesús Province (101 percent of membership quota), who has reached his province goal for the third consecutive year.

Also acknowledged were the top three “To Be A Patriot Award” winners:
1. Calvert Province; Our Lady Queen of Peace Assembly 3038; Smyrna, Delaware
2. Father Hennepin Province; Msgr. Patrick R. Dunigan Assembly 510; Flint, Michigan; District No. 2
3. Marquette Province; Bishop Roger L. Kaffer Assembly 3232; Plainfield, Illinois; Northern Illinois District

Haitian Amputees’ Story Premiered at Portland Film Festival

A documentary about hope and healing in the midst of the horrific aftermath of Haiti’s 2010 earthquake was a featured presentation at the Portland Film Festival on Saturday, Aug. 30. The film is also being featured at additional film festivals throughout the fall.

The documentary, produced by the Knights of Columbus together with Connecticut-based EVTV, revealed how earthquake amputees helped their country overcome stigmas and prejudice following the earthquake.

The film focuses on the thousands of children who underwent emergency amputations in order to survive the shocking carnage that unfolded four and a half years ago. Not only did these young people survive, but they also helped recast the perception of the disabled in a country that is often considered one of the poorest in the world.

In addition to touching on aspects of Haiti’s culture, turbulent history and economic hardship, Unbreakable also draws attention to the Healing Haiti’s Children initiative. Developed through a partnership between the Knights of Columbus and the University of Miami’s Project Medishare for Haiti, the initiative offers free prosthetics and rehabilitation to every child injured in the earthquake.

Ultrasound Initiative – Portable and Mobile

In less than six years, the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative has enabled the placement of approximately 500 ultrasound machines in pro-life pregnancy care centers throughout the United States, Canada and Jamaica.

Knights of Columbus councils have increasingly raised funds to help pregnancy care centers “go mobile” by funding laptop-sized portable ultrasound machines that can be easily transported between affiliated offices and locations.

Through the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative, a state or local council campaign that raises one half of the cost of an ultrasound machine may qualify for matching funds which will cover the remaining balance. Qualifying councils fulfill all four of the Culture of Life Activities requirements for the Columbian Award.

Further information regarding the Ultrasound Initiative is available at www.kofc.org/ultrasound or through the Culture of Life, Marriage and Family Values Office at 203-752-4403.

International Soccer Challenge Information

Sponsor a weekend of family friendly fun in September through a Knights of Columbus International Soccer Challenge. To run this event for young people ages 9-14, order the Soccer Challenge Kit (#SC-KIT).

The Soccer Challenge Kit contains everything needed to sponsor the event, including advertising posters, entry forms, rule books, and certificates for winners and participants. Winners can proceed through multiple rounds of competition, including council, district, regional and state levels. The international winners are based on scores submitted from state contests.

For further information on how to conduct a council competition, please refer to the Soccer Challenge Program Guide (#SC-4576). Use the order form at kofc.org/forms.
Spread the Light of Christ

The birth of our Lord Jesus Christ brought a great illumination of hope into the world. Councils, Knights and their families throughout the Order are invited to help spread the light of Christ on Dec. 2 by lighting a Nativity scene and/or Christmas tree at 8 p.m. local time. The ceremonial lighting of the Christmas tree is just part of the celebration; other activities can accompany it, such as caroling, collecting clothing and food for the needy, or serving snacks and refreshments to commemorate the event. If your council has not participated in the past, this is the year to start a great tradition and help spread the joyful tidings of Christmas with brother Knights, family and friends. A poster (#2757) is available from the Supreme Council Supply Department to help promote your council’s event. For further details, visit kofc.org/christmas.

Advent and Christmas Celebrations

With the goal of introducing the faith in America, Franciscan missionaries developed celebrations in honor of Advent and Christmas. Known as “Posada,” these celebrations continue to be popular throughout Latin America and the southwestern United States even today.

No matter where you’re located, your council can take part in this celebration. For ideas on how to adapt this tradition to your own community, councils can turn to the booklet An Advent & Christmas Celebration (#9898). Through this booklet, the Order hopes to bring rich traditions to all Knights and their families through a sharing of cultural celebrations of the birth of our Savior.

This booklet provides all the information needed to conduct a Christmas celebration with your family and your Knights of Columbus council. Councils may wish to discuss with their pastor the possibility of making this a parish program. Copies of the booklet can be ordered by mailing or faxing a Requisition Form (#1) to the Supply Department.

“Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest

In a society where Christmas is often regarded as a secular holiday, many people — especially children — forget that Christmas is the day on which God gave the greatest gift of all to the world in the form of his only son.

To combat this, sponsor a Knights of Columbus “Keep Christ in Christmas” poster contest. Open to young people ages 5-14, this contest allows young people to engage their creative talents and imaginations while understanding the true, spiritual meaning of Christmas. For more information and to order the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest Kit (#CPC-Kit), visit kofc.org/forms or call 203-752-4016.

Get Ready for Your Volunteer Projects

Since 2013, Connecticut Knights have set aside the day after Thanksgiving to be one of charity. While many people were shopping on Black Friday, these brother Knights distributed new coats to over 2,000 children. Let us follow their witness to the power of charity and help our communities turn the most famous shopping day of the year into one of charity and giving.

If your council has yet to plan your Black Friday volunteer projects, those wishing to run a Coats for Kids program should place their order now to guarantee having coats on hand by wintertime. Councils in warm weather climates may wish to substitute this with an outreach to food banks, a clothing drive, or by donating funds to purchase coats for children in colder climates.

Twelve brand-new winter coats cost $220 (shipping included) for U.S. orders, and $245 for orders outside of the U.S.

For additional information on how your council can participate, visit kofc.org/coats and download a Coats for Kids order form at kofc.org/forms.

Ordering Supplies

To order any of the items mentioned in this newsletter or listed in the Supply Catalog (#1264), complete a Requisition Form (#1), have an authorized officer sign it, and send it to: Supply Department, Knights of Columbus, 78 Meadow Street, New Haven CT 06519. The Supply Department also accepts fax orders at 1-800-266-6340. Only orders that are to be charged to a council account are accepted. The Supply Department also accepts credit card orders (Visa or Mastercard). All information must be supplied from the card, plus the holder’s name, complete address and phone number. Also, credit cards can only be used for orders totaling a minimum of $9. Include the council number on all requisitions. Be sure the return address on the form is written legibly. Do not mail in orders that have been faxed, and be sure to send in separate forms for promotional, gift and print orders.
Active Councils Are Successful Councils

We would like to produce a listing of upcoming events that we can pursue for possible promotion with local media and/or for use as a feature article in one of our publications. Please send information on your project (including the when, where, what, who, why and how of the activity) and photos to knightline@kofc.org. If you have any questions about sending in photos, call us at 203-752-4264.

In addition, if you think your council has an event or program that is an outstanding example of one of the six “Surge … with Service” categories — Church, Family, Culture of Life, Youth, Community or Council — let us know. Please send a brief description (one or two sentences) of your upcoming event, with the date, location and contact information to knightline@kofc.org or call 203-752-4264.

Here is what’s happening in some of our local councils.

In British Columbia, the weekend of June 13-15 was Sparwood’s annual Coal Miner Days celebration. Father Anthony Omi Council 4455 joined the festivities by hosting two soapbox races. Five adults and 67 children from ages 9 to 14 participated, raising $10,946.90 in total to support community enhancement.

Robert E. McNeil Council 211 of Norwich, N.Y., donated $1,000 to Catholic Charities of Chenango County to assist with their newly developed Homeless Intervention and Rapid Rehousing program, which will assist 80-90 households, or approximately 250 family members, per year.

A member of the Charles Andrew Smith Council 7531 built a Rosary Rack in its host parish, Catholic Church of St. James in Conway, S.C., in October 2003. The Knights have continuously stocked the rack, providing 3,725 rosaries to parishioners and visitors. These rosaries are blessed by a priest or deacon prior to displaying on the rack. Amazingly, additional rosaries appear on the rack donated by parishioners owning extra rosaries. Two slots hold Anglo and Spanish “How to Pray the Rosary” cards for those who need them.

Our Mother of Confidence Council 9776 in San Diego supported veterans in San Diego Veteran Village’s Operation Stand Down. This is an annual event that caters to physical needs of veterans (food, clothing, barbers, dentists, pedicures) and provides professional services and counseling. The council organized a parish breakfast that raised $500 to support their newly developed Homeless Intervention and Rapid Rehousing program, which will assist 80-90 households, or approximately 250 family members, per year.

For the third year, Msgr. William A. Penny Council 2181 Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, sponsored a fundraising dinner, raffle and auction to protect the unborn child. This was the second year that the Catholic Women’s League of St. Ambrose partnered with the Knights to make this event very successful, with 120 tickets sold and $8,000 raised through the Christian community and other local councils. An additional $10,000 was provided by an anonymous donor.

Six Knights of Iron River, Mi., Council 2300 and Assembly 501 participated in the National Association of Letter Carriers food drive. This resulted in collecting 4,400 pounds of non-perishable food. After being assembled and weighed at the Iron River post office, the food was delivered to the local St. Vincent De Paul store pantry.

Mount Pleasant (Pa.) Council 3334 held its annual diaper drive at St. Pius and Visitation parishes. The diapers, along with clothes, toys and other baby-care items, were delivered to “Alternatives. Yes Pregnancy Support Center” in Connellsville, Pa. “Response to diaper drive has grown each year, thanks to the generosity and support from both parishes. This year, we had to make two deliveries,” said Grand Knight Eric Harris.

Members of the Whitefish (Mont.) Council 7630 hosted an award ceremony at St. Charles Borromeo Church. Members of the council presented monetary gifts to several worthy charities, including the Dream Adaptive Program, Hope Pregnancy Center, Military Seminarians, North Valley Food Bank, Retired Priests Fund, Operation “Rice Bowl,” Shepherd’s Hand Clinic, and Youth Homes of the Flathead. At an event following the ceremony, the council awarded a $500 Youth Senior Scholarship to Trevor Turgeon, an upcoming freshman at Carroll College, a Catholic university in Helena, Mont.

Nativity Council 2976 of Lindenwold, N.J., has just completed a collection for Sister Helen Cole, SSJ, in Camden, N.J. Sister Helen will provide assistance to needy women who elect to carry their pregnancy to full term. The Pro-Life Ministry and parishioners of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish raised $1,280 while collecting 2,310 diapers and 4,802 wipes.

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Meet Your Agent
Across North America, the Knights of Columbus contracts nearly 1,500 brother Knights who serve as field agents and general agents.

These men spend their days — and many of their evenings and weekends — serving brother Knights and their families in their communities, carrying on Father McGivney’s mission of providing financial protection to Catholic families.

A career as an agent is both challenging and rewarding.

As leaders in your councils, it’s important for you to understand who the agents are, what they do, how they can help you, and how you can help them. When agents and officers come together, they can be a powerful force for good.

Who They Are
Our agents are first and foremost brother Knights. These are men who are committed to the mission of the Knights of Columbus as established by the venerable Father Michael J. McGivney. Many have enjoyed long, active careers in councils and assemblies. Hundreds are past grand knights; several are even former state officers and past state deputies.

They have chosen a career with the Knights of Columbus because they believe firmly in the good work that we do and the good work we can continue to do for our communities, our Church and the world.

They come from diverse professional backgrounds. Some have had long careers in the financial services industries. Some are former small business owners. Some are former teachers. Several are former seminarians. Hundreds served in the armed forces or law enforcement. One of our agents is even a former professional football player for the Pittsburgh Steelers.

They all value continuing education and are dedicated to expanding their expertise on life insurance. They invest time and money, earning professional distinction in the field, so that they can properly advise you and your family.

What They Do
Our agents work extensive hours and travel long distances — some more than 100 miles — to visit with members and their families.

We require our agents to contact each of the members assigned to them at least once a year. Most of our agents have approximately 800 families assigned to them. They visit with 10-15 families per week, always scheduling the appointments at the convenience of the family, so they’re away from their own on many nights and weekends.

They use their professional training and powerful assessment tools to complete a free, comprehensive and custom analysis. Then, once the analysis is completed, they recommend a plan of coverage customized to meet the member’s need.

But that’s not all our agents do. The most important role for any life insurance agent is the service they provide to the widows and orphans left behind.

Our agents are the ones who visit with grieving widows and family members to help them submit claims, arrange funeral services and take care of any final needs.

Our agents are the ones who help recruit members, start new councils, volunteer at council events, meet with priests, talk to bishops and help represent the Knights alongside their fraternal brothers.

How They Can Help
Your field agent is there to educate members on the fraternal benefits available to them through our insurance program. Make sure you invite him to participate in council meetings and ceremonials, as his schedule allows, so that no brother Knight goes unaware of the value of our insurance program.

Your agent is a great recruiter. But remember, he’s also a brother Knight. Just like all brother Knights, he’s there to help with fundraisers and events. So while his demanding schedule may prevent him from making all meetings, make sure you include him in your membership drives and outreach events.

How You Can Help
As leaders in your council, you can help your agent by giving him a platform. Invite him to speak. Refer him to new members. Recommend him to brother Knights. Tell recruits about the value of our insurance program. Your support and your voice matter.

Together, you and your agent carry on Father McGivney’s mission of uniting Catholic men in their faith, serving their communities and protecting their families.

If you don’t know your agent, get to know him. Find him at kofc.org/findagent.
If you or someone you know might be interested in a career as a Knights of Columbus field agent, visit kofc.org/careers.

Knights of Columbus Surpasses $95 Billion of Life Insurance In Force
The Knights of Columbus surpassed $95 billion of life insurance in late August, marking the latest milestone for the company, which has experienced unprecedented growth in the last decade.

“This milestone isn’t just a number,” said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, “it’s an indication that we are protecting even more Catholic families and continuing the mission of our venerable founder, Father Michael J. McGivney. Every dollar of top-rated insurance that our professional agency force adds means real, meaningful security for the families we help protect.”

The Knights offers insurance to its members and their families through a network of 1,500 dedicated professional agents in the United States and Canada — all of whom are members of the Knights of Columbus.
Not another salesman. A Brother *Knight*.

As a Brother Knight, your Knights of Columbus agent has a special perspective on your situation. Our products are tailored to our members, and our agents are professionally trained to show how a comprehensive insurance plan can protect you and your family.

Let your agent in so you can learn all about the benefits of brotherhood.

Find him by calling 203-752-4049 or by going to kofc.org/findagent.