

Archdiocese of Vancouver ARCHBISHOP'S OFFICE

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Dear [Donor's Name],

In addition to the health and financial crisis, a social crisis is unfolding:

- Call volumes to domestic abuse hotlines are up 300%.
- Fewer beds and meal services are available for the homeless and hungry.
- Those battling addiction have been forced into social isolation.
- According to Angus Reid Institute, 50% of Canadians, including youth and elderly have reported a worsening of their mental health.

To help those who are most vulnerable, the Archdiocese has established a Crisis Response Fund to meet our community's needs. This year we hope to raise \$1.625 million through Project Advance, which would provide \$825,000 for the Crisis Response Fund and \$800,000 for our ongoing ministries of outreach and evangelization. Once the specific goal for your parish is met, all additional funds raised will be directed back to parish projects, which will be presented to you this Fall by <<pre>spastor name>> and your parish Project Advance team.

Your donation to Project Advance, united with thousands of Project Advance supporters across the Archdiocese, will help those who are most vulnerable and impacted by the coronavirus pandemic.

If the particular circumstances of your family in this trying time allow it, please respond generously to this appeal. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this request.

Invoking the good Lord's blessing upon you and your family, I remain

Sincerely yours in the Risen Christ,

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