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## **Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri Seeks Community Support on Give Ozarks Day, March 24**

(Springfield, Mo.) – Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri (CCSOMO) is participating in Give Ozarks Day: Rally for Recovery, a regionwide online giving day presented by the Community Foundation of the Ozarks and Bass Pro Shops on March 24, 2021.

Online donations to CCSOMO can be made from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on March 24 at GiveOzarks.org to support recovery efforts related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

CCSOMO’s mission is to improve the lives of the vulnerable by providing quality, compassionate social services that meet local needs. Executive Director Maura Taylor describes the agency’s COVID response work and the ongoing need for the services it provides: “In the last year, we have housed more people than ever and helped many people who have never needed help before. We have helped veterans, homeless mothers, and families. We provided rent and utilities assistance. We have prevented evictions and mortgage foreclosures, and even though the pandemic started more than a year ago, we know many people are still recovering and others are in great need.”

Making a secure online donation is simple. From 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on March 24, donors can complete a basic credit-card donation at:

<https://causmomentum.org/projects/help-house-those-in-need>

All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by the IRS.

For more information about CCSOMO visit: [ccsomo.org](https://ccsomo.org), [facebook.com/ccsomo](https://facebook.com/ccsomo), [twitter.com/ccsomo](https://twitter.com/ccsomo), [instagram.com/catholiccharitiessomo](https://instagram.com/catholiccharitiessomo)

CCSOMO is a nonprofit partner of the CFO, which is hosting Give Ozarks Day with these generous sponsors: presenting sponsor Bass Pro Shops; Burrell Behavioral Health; Central Bank and Central Trust Co.; the Louis L. and Julia Dorothy Coover Charitable Foundation managed by Commerce Trust; the Darr Family Foundation; Great Southern Bank; Guaranty Bank; the Hatch Foundation; Legacy Bank; Ollis/Akers/Arney; and SFC Bank. KY3/KSPR and Springfield Business Journal are the media sponsors for the event.

The CFO is a regional public charitable foundation established in 1973 that provides asset and resource development, grantmaking and public leadership through a network of donors, 52 regional affiliate foundations and more than 600 nonprofit partners across central and southern Missouri.

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*Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri is a faith-based 501(c)(3) agency whose mission is to provide quality, compassionate social services that meet local needs. CCSOMO provides a wide variety of programs throughout the 39 southernmost counties of Missouri. CCSOMO serves people of all faiths.*