

# CATHOLIC CHARITIES

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To the Staff and Volunteers of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of San Diego:

Today marks the end of an era.

After 33 years of serving the people of our diocese, Dr. Robert Moser will be retiring as Executive Director of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of San Diego (CCDSD), effective July 31.

Bob's enduring commitment to the poor and vulnerable can be seen today among the thousands of former refugee and immigrant families that he and his staff welcomed and cared for; men, women, and children who now enjoy the safety and security of a home among us.

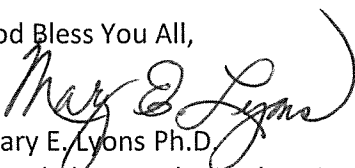
Bob joined the staff of CCDSD in 1985, rising through the ranks and serving as a long-time deputy to Sister Raymonda DuVall before assuming the Executive Director position in 2017. In all these positions, Bob met whatever challenges he encountered. It didn't matter whether it was helping Haitian and Latin American families fleeing poverty and natural disasters, or Middle Eastern and African families fleeing war and man-made disasters or helping longtime residents assert their right to apply for and be granted American citizenship. In every case, thousands of families were better off because of Bob's steady and confident response to every crisis. His experience and professionalism made him the right person at the right time to address each challenge constructively. Similarly, his devotion to the Mission of Catholic Charities inspired all of us to maintain high standards of care for our clients in the face of dwindling public financial support.

Dr. Moser leaves behind a legacy for which any professional can be proud. He deserves the deepest gratitude of all he has served and with whom he has worked during his distinguished career. We are confident that, with Dr. Moser's departure, his colleagues at CCDSD are well prepared to continue their Mission with unabated dedication and effectiveness.

During this time of transition and search for a permanent Executive Director, the Diocese's Vice-Moderator of the Curia Rodrigo Valdivia has graciously accepted the additional responsibilities of Interim Executive Director. The Board of Directors and I are especially grateful to him for assuming this additional assignment, and for his ongoing commitment and assistance.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, we want to thank Bob for his service and want to also thank each and every one of you for the work you do to improve the lives of families in need and assure you of our prayers and support in all you do.

God Bless You All,



Mary E. Lyons Ph.D.

Board Chair, Catholic Charities of San Diego

