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CAMP FIRE IMPACTS SVdP CONFERENCE IN COMMUNITY OF PARADISE

Council President Judy Dietlein has been in contact with District Presidents about the ongoing tragedy of the Camp Fire in Paradise.

“We are greatly saddened by the devastation and loss from the Camp Fire. Our St. Thomas More Conference in Paradise is immediately impacted. We pray for the safety of our Vincentians as well as all who are affected by this disaster. The Church and School did survive, but the new rectory, old rectory and parish hall are gone.

“Our Divine Savior Conference in Chico (about 15 miles from Paradise) is ready to help. Many evacuees are already in the city. We are informed that Chico is secure now, with no more threat of the fire spreading to them. The pastor of Our Divine Savior in Chico has committed their parish hall to Catholic Social Services as a collection site for donated items. Right now, we are looking for an alternative location for a recovery center.

“Although the main roads are now open, they are mostly for emergency vehicles. I have heard from many of you; I know you all want to help. Right now, donations would be best. As we get more information and there is better organization, perhaps there will be requests for more tangible items and a way to get them there. In all likelihood, they will need volunteers as well.”

Donations should be directed to:

**North State District Council
c/o Brendan Butler
Re: Paradise Camp Fire
114 South Weed Blvd.
Weed, CA 96094**

[Online donations](#) for disaster relief can be made to the Sacramento Council [here](#).