MOTHER TERESA PROGRAM

Funeral and Cemetery Assistance Program that serves families in need in our community.

Mother Teresa firmly believed that love begins at home and that we should reach out to those in need in our family first, then our community, our country and our world. It is in this spirit that CFCS created the Mother Teresa Program that allows the poor and destitute in our community to receive sacred and dignified funeral, cremation and cemetery services.

“Love Begins at Home”

Mother Teresa proclaimed “I want you to find the poor here, right in your own home... love begins at home.” [In our community there are many in need; over 20%* of Californians live below the poverty line. * US Census SPM 2009-2015]

Serving Our Community

With the Mother Teresa Program, Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services (CFCS) of Oakland is able to give back to the community by ensuring that those in need in our community receive sacred and dignified funeral, cremation and cemetery services.

Living Our Mission

As a charitable organization, CFCS assists families in sharing this most meaningful experience with family and friends.

WHO THE PROGRAM SUPPORTS
- Families in Need
- Catholic Charities

MAIN BENEFITS
- Support our community
- In need? Apply for assistance

HOW TO HELP
- Make a donation
- Visit any CFCS location
- Visit cfcsoakland.org

Call (800) 498-4989 to speak with a qualified, caring advisor or visit us at: cfcsoakland.org
God still loves the world and He sends you and me to be His love and His compassion to the poor.
— MOTHER TERESA

Mother Teresa was a luminous messenger of God’s love who is well noted for her charity, compassion and courage. Everyday she went into her community to find and serve Him in the “unwanted, the unloved and the uncared for.” She founded the Missionaries of Charity, which continue to meet the physical and spiritual needs of the poor and ensure that her charitable spirit lives on.

Frequently Asked Questions:

**What is the program used for?**
The program is used to provide cemetery and funeral assistance to individuals in our community who would otherwise be unable to afford proper services.

**Who does the program serve?**
The program was established to serve individuals in need in our community, including the poor and destitute, as well as victims of violent crimes. We also assist special organizations in our community.

**What level of assistance is available?**
CFCS offers two levels of assistance for cemetery and funeral services, indigent and financial assistance. Indigent services are for individuals who are unable to make any payment. We provide these individuals with complete funeral burial or inurnment services in accordance with the Order of Christian Funerals. Financial assistance is for individuals who need extended terms. The program allows them to have the dignified services that they would be otherwise unable to pay for.

**How can I help?**
Donations are readily accepted at all of our CFCS locations. To learn more please call us at (800) 498-4989.

**Do I have to be Catholic to receive aid?**
No. The program serves all those in need in our community regardless of religious affiliation.

**Where is this program available?**
The Mother Teresa Program is available at:
- St. Joseph Cemetery & Funeral Center
- Queen of Heaven Cemetery & Funeral Center
- Holy Cross Cemetery & Funeral Center
- St. Mary Cemetery & Funeral Center
- Cathedral of Christ the Light
- Cooper Chapel
- Sorensen Chapel
- Holy Sepulchre Cemetery & Funeral Center
- St. Michael Cemetery & Funeral Center

**THE CFCS ADVANTAGE**
As a resource you can trust today and tomorrow, we’re enabling families to make educated decisions about end-of-life services.

- Flexible and Affordable
- Welcoming Staff
- Convenient Locations
- People You Can Trust
- Open Source of Information
- Complete Resource for Funeral, Cremation and Cemetery Services

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