# **Akron Chapter**

Presented diapers, wipes, car seat covers, and nursing covers to a non-profit organization that provides housing, classes, and treatment for pregnant women and mothers who have addictions.

#### **Albany Chapter**

Partnered with the Academy of Holy Names High School to pack 100 comfort bags for area domestic violence shelters, foster care, and area police departments. The students learned about the CCS mission and the history of MVM.

# **Annapolis Chapter**

Worked with area middle and elementary schools to provide books to over 850 children in their community. They have extended their *United in Service* program by partnering with a Head Start Program to serve more children.

# **Atlanta Chapter**

Celebrated "Fall on the Farm" at the Children's Development Academy. They combined a petting zoo with fun and games for children who received their own books.

### **Baltimore Chapter**

In addition to donating over 160 books to Book Buddies, CCSB expanded their Sips for Suds – a wine and cheese event where people donate laundry detergent to their partner groups. A local wine shop also held a 5-day promotion giving customers store discounts.

#### **Boca Raton Chapter**

Combined the *United in Service* project with their "Make a Difference Day" Program. They worked with 21 student volunteers, 10 parishioner volunteers and 22 members to put over 100 book bags together for area children.

### **Central Illinois Chapter**

In addition to giving over 100 books to children in the community, the chapter provided the local Ronald McDonald House with basic need items and supplies to help serve families who are housed because they have a child at the Order of St. Francis Childrens Hospital.

#### **Cleveland Chapter**

Helped children through various programs and projects. They also developed a "Bed 4 Kids" Community Project where families in need can pick up a bed, futon mattress, quilts, books, sheets, pillows, and smoke detector batteries.

# **Columbus Chapter**

Used the "Find a Need and Fill It" motto on multiple projects including the "Run



F I N D A N E E D A N D F I L L the Race" project that provided hygiene

needs such as toothbrushes and toothpaste to 125 children.

#### **Dallas-Fort Worth**

Hosted two book fairs and gave away over 2,000 books in their area. They also held a "fireside read" to spread the love of reading.

# **Dayton Chapter**

Concentrated on 3 monthly service projects providing 125 layettes and 200 sack lunches to children and distributed 720 school clothing vouchers through their "Clothe-A-Child" Program.

### **Denver Chapter**

Held a board book drive for layettes.

### **Detroit Chapter**

Continued a literacy outreach program at Walt Whitman Elementary School in Detroit, Michigan by distributing new books monthly to  $1^{\rm st}$  or  $2^{\rm nd}$  graders. Members read to the children, make a craft related to the story, have a snack and then get to take a new book home.

#### **Fort Wayne Chapter**

Provided a special Christmas to 11 families in the community. 2 fairly new members led the project and worked with 8 parishes that supported their Baby Bottle fundraiser. The project had over 600 items listed.

#### **Geauga County Chapter**

Provided books, warm coats and boots to children and families in the community.

### Milwaukee Chapter

Set up small libraries and provided books for children of all ages in 3 of the homeless shelters they serve. In addition, they raised funds to purchase a Book Vending machine for the elementary school they support.

### **Monterey Chapter**

Collected board books for their layettes and a home for single women with children.

### **Northern Michigan Chapter**

Held a book drive the entire month of October. They collected 1500 books for area children and their "Read to Me" Program.

## **Oshkosh Chapter**

Held a baked goods and craft sale.

### **Phoenix Chapter**

Distributed 150 feminine hygiene kits to 5 different schools. This project was so successful, the chapter voted to make this a new chapter program.

#### **Quad Cities Chapter**

Members volunteered at the Rock Island Head Start festival to pro-

mote better dental health. Children were given a care bag filled with information on dental health, a toothbrush, toothpaste and a book to take home.

## San Diego Chapter

Sewed 100 quilts, receiving blankets, and soft toys and assembled 100 layettes.

#### **South Bend**

Sponsored a nonfiction book drive for school-aged children Pre-K through grade 8, served through their Clothing Center.

# **Stuart Chapter**

Sponsored a successful diaper drive over Thanksgiving weekend.

### **Summit Chapter**

Members gathered to knit hats, cut and sew fleece blankets, and de-tag baby articles to fill 77 layettes which were delivered to the Health Start clinics and Morristown hospitals.

# **Toledo Chapter**

Held a birthday celebration inviting students and their members to make knotted fleece blankets and learn how to use a loom to make knit hats.

#### **Texas Capital Area Chapter**

Collected hygiene products from members for 500 elementary and middle school students. It supports the local Families in Transition program.

### **Tucson Chapter**

Held a food collection weekend at a local church and celebrated Mary Virginia Merrick's 157<sup>th</sup> birthday by offering cupcakes and Mary Virginia Merrick canonization cards. The food went to a Tucson non-profit organization called the Pio Decimo Center.

#### Washington, DC Chapter

Partnered with 2 elementary schools and friends to collect over 8,000 diapers and 500 books for their layette program. In addition, they provided 6 local families Thanksgiving Baskets complete with turkeys, gift cards for all the trimmings, PJs and toys for their children.

### **Western Reserve Chapter**

Provided hygiene kits to every 5<sup>th</sup> grader in the Painesville City Elementary Schools.