AGENCY:
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Camden (CCDOC), Inc. was originally established in 1936, as the Catholic Aid Society. It is a separately incorporated organization, and recognized by IRS as a 501 (c)(3) non-profit, tax exempt organization. Through a staff of almost 70 employees at 12 program sites throughout South Jersey, each year CCDOC provides health and human services to more than 40,000 individuals and families, throughout the six southern counties of New Jersey: Atlantic, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem. Our mission, as a faith-based agency and rooted in the social teaching of the Catholic Church, is to provide social services to, advocate for, and empower the poor, oppressed and vulnerable. We do this on a non-discriminatory, non-sectarian basis, and over 70% of the individuals and families we help each year are non-Catholic.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR VETERAN FAMILIES (SSVF) PROGRAM
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Camden (CCDOC), Inc., has been approved by the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs for a one-year grant of $744,740 for a Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Program in the six counties of Southern New Jersey.

Our Program Name: Ready, Vet, Go!

Program Description:
Our SSVF Program will be provided through each of our agency’s six Family Services and Community Centers (one is located in each county in South Jersey). These Centers are well known in the community, and the existing services provided at these Centers are already focused on emergency support and financial assistance for low and very low income individuals and families that are attempting to prevent homelessness or to stabilize their housing situation.

During the 12 month program period of our SSVF Program, we anticipate we would be able to:

- Reach out to and contact at least 1,250 very low income (household income does not exceed 50% of area median income) veterans and their families, who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness, and we estimate:
  - 50% of this total will be in Camden County
  - 10% of this total will be in each of the other five counties
• Of this outreach total, we will provide at least 400 Veterans and their families with:
  ■ intensive case management services, focused on promoting housing stability among homeless Veterans and their families, and Veterans and their families that are at-risk of being homeless
  ■ time-limited temporary financial assistance (rent payments, utility payments, security deposits and moving costs), while they are waiting for their VA benefits
  ■ connecting these veterans and their families to their approved and available VA benefits

• Provide almost $180,000 in time-limited temporary financial assistance to very low income Veterans and their families while they are waiting for their approved VA benefits. These temporary financial assistance payments would be in the form of rental payments, utility payments, security deposits, utility deposits, moving costs, and public transportation vouchers/passes.

• In collaboration with VA SSVF and HUD-VASH (VA Supportive Housing program) case managers, enable homeless Veterans and their families to immediately be placed in permanent housing in order to avoid homelessness.

• In collaboration with local community resources focused on employment (State One-Stop Centers, Workforce Investment Boards, employment placement/training programs of other non-profit organizations, etc.), enable homeless Veterans to be placed in jobs or in job training programs that will lead to eventual employment.

A total of four (4) mobile outreach case managers (MOCM) will be used over the service area of six counties, to conduct SSVF Program outreach work activities. Two MOCM will cover Camden and Gloucester Counties, and they will report to and refer qualified veterans to a SSVF Senior Case Manager (SCM) at the Catholic Charities Family Services Center in Camden City. One MOCM will cover Atlantic County, and will report to and refer qualified veterans to a SSVF SCM at the Catholic Charities Family Services Center in Atlantic City. One MOCM will cover Cumberland/Salem/Cape May Counties, and will report to and refer qualified veterans to a SSVF SCM at the Catholic Charities Family Services Center in Vineland (Cumberland County). If additional assistance with SSVF outreach work activities is needed by the MOCM covering Cumberland/Salem/Cape May Counties, then the MOCM in Atlantic County will provide additional backup support.

The total of three (3) SSVF senior case managers will report to and coordinate their client caseload work activities with an overall SSVF Project Coordinator (PC). Our SSVF PC will work closely with each SCM in the implementation and coordination of SSVF goals and objectives, and will also travel extensively throughout the six counties to meet with all MOCMs and SCMs. The PC will also help to coordinate the work of our SSVF Program with key existing management personnel of our agency, and also with key VA facilities and other government and non-profit agencies throughout the region.