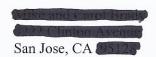




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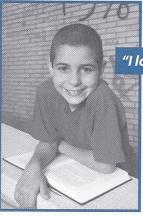
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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Brody

We often take for granted what it means to have a future. To simply have hope.

Every day at Catholic Charities, we work with people who are struggling to make a better future. And we never lose hope for them. We have more than 45 services that give people who are poor and vulnerable the tools they need to turn their lives around.

But to make this possible, we need you. Last year, contributions from people like you made a difference in the life of this child from one of the poorest areas of San Jose.



"I love books because now I can read."

Fourth-grader Antonio could read very little when he first came to our CORAL after-school literacy program. Now when he finishes one book, he eagerly picks up another. His proud father is talking about sending him to college. And Catholic Charities can help with a matched savings program the family can use for his education.

Where some see poverty, suffering, and dead-ends, we see potential. With your contribution, we'll help individuals and families like Antonio's use their potential to create lives of wellness, self-sufficiency, and hope. By renewing your Caritas Society membership right now with a pledge or gift of \$1,000 or more, you will make a difference and change more lives for good.

We are working to cut poverty in half in Santa Clara County by the year 2020. Your generosity will sustain us in this mission, which is ultimately for the good of us all.

In deepest gratitude,

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