



Auxiliary Bishop Frank Schuster Appointed Chair of the Boards of Trustees for Catholic Community Services and Catholic Housing Services of Western Washington, and the Catholic Charities Foundation

SEATTLE – Dec. 20, 2023 – Today, Bishop Frank Schuster, the auxiliary bishop for the Archdiocese of Seattle and former pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Federal Way was appointed the Archbishop’s Representative and Chair of the Boards of Trustees for Catholic Community Services and Catholic Housing Services of Western Washington, and the Catholic Charities Foundation.

“Caring for the vulnerable among us and treating them with the dignity they deserve is something I am very passionate about,” said Bishop Schuster, who serves as the regional bishop to the southern area of the Archdiocese of Seattle. “Growing up here, I have seen the pain, suffering and challenges that many face across the region – as well as the tremendous work that CCS/CHS does in service of these brothers and sisters of ours. CCS/CHS acts as the hands and feet of Jesus Christ today, and I am incredibly honored to be part of the board.”

Bishop Schuster is a graduate of Kennedy Catholic High School and the University of Washington. He was ordained a priest in Seattle in 1999 and became a bishop in 2022.

“We are blessed to have Bishop Schuster join our leadership team and provide his guidance and formation while helping us demonstrate that the love and care we provide is a clear reflection of our Catholic faith,” said Michael Reichert, CEO of Catholic Community Services and Catholic Housing Services. “The challenges in our community are great, and we simply cannot turn a blind eye. Instead, following in the footsteps of Christ, we are challenged each and every day to respond with compassionate action, advocacy and a deep respect for everyone we encounter – understanding that they reflect God’s love and provide us with his grace. We are grateful to Archbishop Paul Etienne for inviting and appointing Bishop Schuster to be the Chair of our Boards of Trustees.”

About CCS and CHS

Catholic Community Services/Catholic Housing Services are the Catholic Charities agency for the Archdiocese of Seattle, which has been providing outreach and support to neighbors in need in Western Washington since 1918. With nearly 200 programs and more than 3,800 employees, the impact of this organization on our local region is tremendous. Each year, tens of thousands of people are served through housing, food and basic needs services, mental health care, job skills training, and many more services that bring hope and help those struggling with the challenges of poverty. You can find out more about the organization at www.ccsww.org.

About the Archdiocese of Seattle

The Archdiocese of Seattle encompasses all of Western Washington, stretching from Canada to Oregon and from the Cascade Mountains to the Pacific Ocean. There are 72 Catholic schools and 136 parishes, with more than 500 weekly Masses celebrated in eight languages. Archbishop Paul D. Etienne leads the archdiocese with his auxiliary bishops, Bishop Eusebio Elizondo and Bishop Frank Schuster. For more information about the Archdiocese of Seattle, visit archseattle.org.

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