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TELL ME A STORY...

Announcing the SVdP Story Project

Good hearts and many hands built the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Phoenix. Each person who has been involved has a special story or two — of a family you visited, a guest you fed, a home visit made with one's parent, or a inspiring volunteer — and seeing God's hand in the work we do.

Recently, Edna Tyma, shared a favorite story of hers:

"It was a time when Russia declared martial law on Poland (1981-83). The people who were out of the country on vacation could not get back into their country. So they were housed in refugee camps in Austria. The people waited there to be sponsored by a church to get into another country.

As Catholic parishes in Phoenix began to sponsor the refugees, St. Vincent de Paul and Catholic Charities worked together to get these people settled. Because I spoke a little Polish, I worked with some of the refugees for one year.

We got eight families settled just through Most Holy Trinity Parish and St. Paul's Parish. After one family was settled, Mrs. O, the mother, invited me to her house for coffee and to meet a number of women who were in other Phoenix parishes.

A week prior to this visit, I had gone through my closet and given Mrs. O eight pairs of my shoes. To my amazement as I looked down on the floor I saw the eight pair of shoes on eight different ladies.

God had either shrunk the shoes or stretched their feet because they all fit fine. The women were all there to say thank you to me.

You are invited to help us collect and preserve these wonderful stories of goodness and grace. In the coming months, we will be gathering your stories to use in our publications so that others may come to better understand the work of this great organization. Won't you please take a moment to think about your favorite story, write it down and send it to us? Don't worry too much about your handwriting or spelling, or grammar — it's the story we want! So write down your story and mail or email it to Susan de Queljoe, Community Relations Director, at Susan@svdp-phx-az.org. Please include your name and phone number so that I can contact you if I need more details.

Bless you for your help!