

## **The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVP)** **(<https://www.activelink.ie/node/613>)**

Our work primarily involves person-to-person contact with people who have a variety of needs. In addition to direct assistance to people in need, we try to promote self-sufficiency, enabling people to help themselves. Any assistance offered by the Society is given in a non-judgemental spirit of compassion, based on the need of the individual or family. We accept people as they are. We try to create a caring, non-threatening environment, respecting the dignity of those who seek our help. We only offer advice when it is asked for, and do not believe in telling people what they should do. Our aim is to maintain the dignity of the individual and to promote long-term self-sufficiency. We do so by treating people with respect, while endeavouring to build a relationship of friendship, trust and confidentiality.

While we act as a short-term safety net for those who fall outside the care of the Welfare State or need emergency financial support, we try to embrace those who are marginalised by helping them to rekindle their self-respect and sense of worth. Our Mission is also to rectify the causes of poverty which perpetuate the problems faced by those we work with.

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