

**Vision**

*Our vision is to achieve a safe and supportive community where individuals and families can reach their fullest potential.*

**Mission**

*Our mission is to provide comprehensive service within an arm's length of the community in which every individual is cared for spiritually, morally, intellectually, physically, socially and emotionally in a linguistic and culturally friendly environment.*

**Illinois Welcoming Center**

At the Welcoming Center you will have Direct Access to information about health, social, educational, employment, rehabilitation and homeownership services, including: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance, Program, Medicaid, All Kids Health Insurance, Family Care, Unemployment Insurance, Small Business Centers, Specialized Assessment for Rehabilitation Services Workshops on: Housing and Financial Literacy, Predatory Lending, Health and Nutrition, Mental Health Issues, Adolescent Development, Parenting skills, Substance and Domestic Abuse Direct referrals, assessments and enrollments, food pantries.



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SCALABRINI  
COMMUNITY CENTER



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*“Bring wherever there are migrants the consolation of faith and the smile of their motherland.”*  
**Blessed J. B. Scalabrini**



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**Hours**

Monday - Thursday  
9:00am – 6:00pm

Friday 9:00am – 5:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday  
Closed

Tel: 708-345-3632



Assistance with assessments and applications for: Legal Assistance, Aging Services, Developmental and Rehabilitation Services, Health Screenings, Mental Health, LIHEAP Assistance, Immigration and Legal Assistance, Domestic Violence, Housing Assistance.

**Co- Locators include:**

Sarah's Inn (Domestic Violence)  
Catholic Charities (Immigration and Legal Assistance)  
Solutions for Care (Liheap Assistance)  
CEDA (Community Services Block Grant Programs)

**Programs & Activities**

State Services Outreach  
Food Pantry  
Boy & Girl Scouts  
Senior Drop in Center  
Folkloric Ballet

**Catholic Charities -Immigration Services**

Catholic Charities assists specifically with cases of Immigration. Catholic Charities evaluates and provides assistance to U.S. citizens and legal permanent residents in the immigration process involving family reunification applications, extensions of stay, replacement of permanent residence cards, work permits, naturalization certificates, and inquiries for status of cases at the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

**Sarah's Inn-Domestic Violence Counseling**

The mission of Sarah's Inn is to stand with women and their families to ensure freedom from domestic violence in the community and offering individual advocacy and counseling to women, teens and children.

**Solutions for Care**

Solutions for Care will inform and assist seniors and people with disabilities with applications for local, State and Federal programs. Programs such as Medicare Part D plans, Medicare Savings Programs, LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program), Benefits Access Program (formerly Circuit Breaker) and many more.

**CEDA-Community Service Block Grants(CSBG)**

Ceda works to help stabilize and support families on a path back to self-sufficiency. Services are available to residents of Cook County. Programs include, Emergency Dental, Vision Care, Auto Repair Program, and a Scholarship Program.

**Family Focus**

Family Focus promotes the well-being of children from birth by supporting and strengthening families in and with their communities. We help parents gain confidence and competence as the primary caregivers and educators of their children. We provide parents and their children with critical resources and learning opportunities to encourage healthy development in their communities.

**The Resurrection Project**

The Resurrection Project creates healthy communities by developing quality, affordable homes, offering houses for sale, financial education classes, home purchase program, free foreclosure prevention counseling, community programs and classes.



**Catholic Financial Life**

Catholic Financial Life, a faith-based membership organization, puts Catholic values in action by: serving God through serving others, providing financial security and enhancing the quality of life. Catholic Financial Life helps families and businesses with life insurance, annuities, wealth accumulation, 401 (k) rollovers, IRAs and much more.

**Presence Health**

Presence Health provides comprehensive inpatient and outpatient care for a wide range of behavioral problems, including: Emergency/crisis care, mood disorders such as depression, bipolar disorder, anxiety disorders, anger management, eating disorders and hyperactive disorder.

**HAS-Healthcare Alternative Systems Substance Abuse Counseling**

Substance Abuse Clinical Assessment, Outpatient and Intensive Outpatient, Counseling for adults and youth, Case Management, Drug Testing, DUI Risk Education, Counseling, Community Education, Prevention and Outreach. Most services are offered in English and Spanish.

**Patronato Italiano-ACAI**

Patronato A.C.A.I. is specialized to assist the Italians who qualify for: Italian, French, Switzerland, German, England, Australian, Canadian and war Pensions. The A.C.A.I. office will also assist you with the following and more: Pensions, Retirement, Disability, War vet, Widows, Transfers of Pensions, Certificates of Translation, Renewal of Italian Passports, Life Certificates, Dual Citizenship, Immigration Services (Green Card Renewal) and Legal Assistance.

**Senior Services**

The Community Center hosts a daily meal and activity program at Mt.Carmel Hall for Senior Citizens FREE of charge Monday-Friday from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

**Food Pantry**

The Community Center offers a Food Pantry serving the communities of Melrose Park and Stone Park on Wednesdays from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm.

**Referrals:**

Food Pantries  
Shelters- West Suburban Housing Forward  
English as Second Language & GED Courses/  
Triton College and Community Colleges

