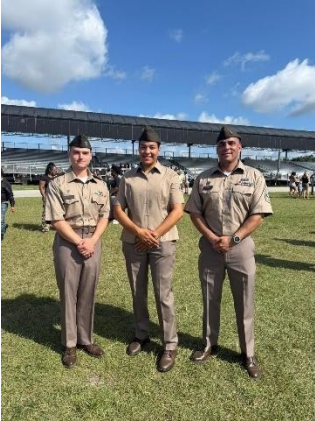


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Congratulations on Completing Basic Training



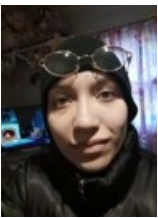
Over a year ago, we started a fundraiser for Solanni Guzman so she could get a certificate as a Nurse Aid. She accomplished that goal. That enabled her to achieve another goal which was to join the U. S. National Guard. She did that on July 17th. All of this was made possible by the generous donations of many St. Vincent parishioners and others. -----

TH A N K Y O U ! In the above photo, Solanni (center)

stands with military friends. At right, Solanni with her 3 children.



Bus Fare Needed to Complete Beauty School



Cynthia Collazo, at left, is progressing in her beauty school training. She is in her 6th month. She attends school 4 days a week. She is doing well and really likes the training. She still has 7 months to go. We help by paying her transit fare to Center City where the school is. **If you care to help pay her bus fare, please contact one of us in the committee.**

HELPING WITH RENT, ELECTRICITY AND OTHER NEEDS

Father Sy and the Tithing Committee have worked together with us for the benefit of several immigrant families from Honduras. ICE deported the father of one family leaving a pregnant mother and a small child to fend for themselves. The mother was willing to work, but her boss had let her go because of her pregnancy. The church helped pay their rent for 3 months. The church helped a second family to pay electricity bills which were several months in arrears.

Other needs arise occasionally and we are able to give a helping hand. For example, Agustin Aguilar wasn't receiving SNAP benefits (food stamps), so we were able to tide him over till they were reinstated.

A Puerto Rican woman is always short of food at the end of the month, so we are able to help her out each month.

The real solution to these concerns is JUSTICE. Let us work to change the injustices that are causing suffering for so many. May God give us the wisdom and grace we need.

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