Italian Catholic Federation

Expansion Committee Convention Report

September, 2020

The 2020 Expansion Committee members include: Michael Rossi, Nancy Corsi and Andy Pappani, with support from Teresa Helfand, Lou Mages, Ken Marshall, Perry Shurko and Patrizia Vigili.

The goal of the ICF Strategic Plan is to open three new branches per year. Since last Convention 2019, two new branches were opened.

Branch Openings:

- Branch 274, St. Eugene, Chicago, IL, Chicago Archdiocese, re-opened on September 28, 2019
- Branch 449, Guardian Angels, Santee, CA, San Diego Diocese, opened on November 17, 2019.

Additionally, the Expansion Committee worked together with the Membership Committee to relocate Branch 446 to St. Anthony in Upland, CA, San Bernardino Diocese.

The Expansion Committee progress is severely impacted in 2020 due to the Covid-19 virus. Since November, 2019, there have been no new branch openings. Please pray for an end to the virus so that all of us can return to our normal lives and the ICF can return to normal operations.

When Covid-19 is someday finally under control, the ICF Expansion Committee invites you, our ICF members, to help us by offering suggestions for parish opportunities and also by volunteering to help the local Expansion team members to open branches. Keep these ideas in mind:

- Would your parish or nearby parish welcome ICF?
- Do you know a priest or seminarian who would welcome ICF in their parish?
- Do you know of a previous ICF branch that should re-open?
- Do you have friends or family in a parish that would welcome ICF?

If yes, please contact the Expansion Committee or the ICF office in Oakland in the hope that we can again open new branches when Covid-19 is ended.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Rossi

Central Council Expansion Committee Chairperson