Dear Friends of Saint Charles Caritas:

God, it is awesome to work for you! Your blessings, your graces and everything. We Glorify You, Lord Jesus Christ! Thank you so much!

Saint Charles Caritas has reached 22 years of service (this month of March 2023) to the poor children, elderly and homeless that this charity is helping. The team and I are thanking God for the volunteers and benefactors. You know who you are who helped us. This charity strive because of you. Thank you once again!

Please pray for complete healing of our friends who have cancers: Susan Guenzel, Rich Guenzel, Paul Bell, Katrina Kreagan, John Cantela, Victor & Lilia Nunez. Also for the healing of Prince Altasin who is now 6 years old. He has heart issue and taking 5 medicines for his heart valve and heart condition. Thank you for all your prayers and God bless you all!.

On behalf of Saint Charles Caritas we would like to say big congratulations to Fr. Ron Kelso for his 50th anniversary of being a priest and currently a resident of St. Charles Parish. God bless you Fr. Ron!

Thank you so much volunteers and benefactors for 22 years. Most of all, thank you Brother Joe Bajo, Grand Knight, Christine Phillips. We are grateful to Monsignor Dennis Mikulanis for his blessings for this charity in 2001 and thank you to all the priests who are today, and were pastors in the past 22 years of St. Charles Parish for their support. Other volunteers: Mr. & Mrs. Rullan, the entire Colina family & Mrs. Matthews and more last month of February. Please see 2 collages of events below. Thank you.

Article from Star Newspaper <a href="https://www.thestarnews.com/red-bag-project-feeds-hungry-honors-husbands-memory/">https://www.thestarnews.com/red-bag-project-feeds-hungry-honors-husbands-memory/</a>

#### Feed back from volunteers and Sisters:

Sent from my Galaxy

"That is wonderful news and marketing to promote the kind acts of charity that you carry out in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. You are a shining example of Jesus Christ. God bless you!!"

"Thank you so much for your help... Because of you we continue our mission. God bless you more."

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A thank you letter received...

"Dear Mrs. Baker and Saint Charles Caritas,

Words cannot express our gratitude for all you have done. We are overwhelmed by your generosity. Thank you very much!

May our loving God bless you all at Saint Charles Caritas.

Most Grateful Sr. Rene' and the Mother House Sisters. Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement Graymoor, Garrison NY."

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## Caritas Schedule for March 2023:

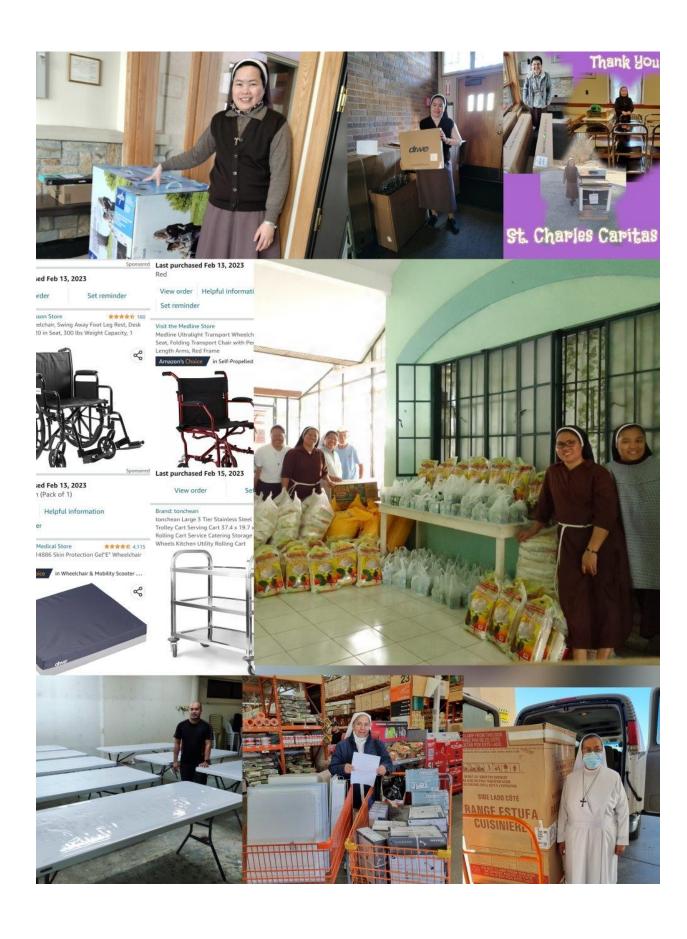
- \* Caritas Day on 18 & 19, Saturday and Sunday. All the nuns will be at the exit doors on Sunday & volunteers on Saturday. 100% of your donations will be used to buy food, basic necessities and special projects for the charities that we are helping run by nuns and priests. We are all volunteers from Mexico, Philippines and U.S. We have 5 charity congregations in Tijuana/Ensenada Mexico, 4 in the Philippines and 2 in the U.S.
- \* Jim's Project Homeless Help #71 around the South Bay area. Buying of Food at Costco and Walmart will be on March 11, Saturday at 9:00 am starts at the retreat garage and distribution will be on April 1, Saturday starts at 7:00 am at the same garage. We are going to caravan for this event. If you have a truck, we need it to transport these food items and toiletries. Students who need community service hours for school and catechism, please bring your paper and or on line verification of volunteer hours. You need to sign in for 2 of these events. We are going to observe social distancing, wear mask and gloves.
- \* The charities in the Philippines in different islands continues on Saturday & Sunday for their missions: Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony, Canossian Sons of Charity Catechism and we are including the 10 orphans/mentally challenged kids run by the Canossian Sisters, Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary/Feed the Children and Hospitaller Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Feed the Poor Children is scheduled on March 3 to Pasig: Tawi-tawi, San Andres and Flood way. The Pray the Rosary and Evangelization will go on.
- \* Special projects continue for the charities that we are helping such as 10 rooms addition for the Beato Juan Pablo II in TJ run by religious sisters. If you want to donate for this cause, please write in your check memo line.

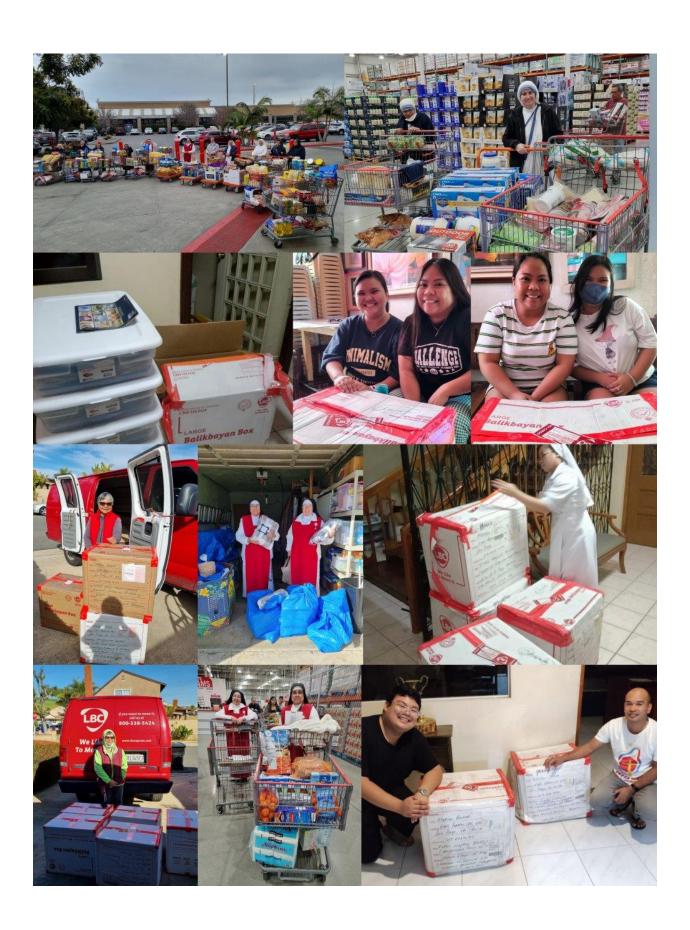
  Also, the Franciscan Sisters of St. Anyhnoy's scholarships for 26 high school and college students who are poor: 19 junior and senor high, and 7 in college. The Sisters are trying to support some of their expenses like transportation. The kids are going to school with scholarships. They need help with transportation

expenses: High school: 19 x 150 pesos per week, exchange rate 55.23 per \$1 = \$2.72 per student/week. College students: 250 pesos per week  $\div$  55.23 = \$4.53 per week/per student. If you want to sponsor any of the children, please let me know.

Picture 1 and 2 row 1, Costco buy of foods/cleaning items for 5 charity congregations; and Sisters of Charity (Saint Teresa of Calcutta's Sisters). Row 2 picture 3, 7 containers of set of rosaries to Hospitaller Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus; picture 4 & 5, 2 teachers volunteers received 2 LBC boxes for Pray the Rosary/Feed the Children and some gifts for volunteers. Row 3, 3 boxes sent to the Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony, Negros Occidental island and picture 9, 5 boxes going to Ph charities. Pictures 7 & 10, Perpetual Adoration of the Sacred Sacrament Sisters received 12 brand new blankets and food/cleaning supplies. Row 3, picture 8, Hospitaller Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus received 4 boxes for Feed the Children in the poor neighborhood of Caluan Laguna and Pasig; Picture 11, Canossian Sons of Charity received 2 boxes for Children's Catechism.

**Special Projects for February 2023**: 3 transport wheel chairs, 3 cushions, 3 wheel chairs, 3 rolling food carts, 1 electric stove and some kitchen wares for the Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement. 155 five kilos of rice and 5 sardines each for the poor recipients, and 7, 50 kilos of rice and 100 sardines for the mission of Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony. 8 heavy duty tables for catechism of the Canossian Sons of Charity (Fr. Jeephy). Building materials for Beato Juan Pablo II, 10 rooms expansion for the home for the elderly (continued). Gas stove for Santa Teresita, home for girls. Thank you.





February 2023 disbursements. 100% of your donations are used to buy basic food, basic necessities and special projects for the charities that we are helping. We have Zero overhead costs, No administrative layers and we are all volunteers from the U.S., Mexico and Philippines. Please see below.

Disbursements:	Feb	February'2023	
* *In Mexico		-	
*Casa de Cuna, home for children ages 1 to 6 years old, run by the Sisters of Sacred Heart of Jesus	\$	(726.50)	
*Santa Teresita, home for girls run by Sisters Sacred Heart of Jesus	\$	(750.43)	
*Asilo Juan Pablo II, home for the elderly 80 years old and above, run by the St. Margaret of Mary of the Poor	\$	(722.90)	
*St. Brigit Sisters, 20 contemplative sisters	\$	(737.06)	
* Perpetual Adoration Sisters of the Sacred Sacrament: contemplative sisters	\$	(977.33)	
* Sisters of Charity TJ bus stop location (Saint Teresa of Calcutta's Nuns)	\$	(1,197.10)	
*Breakfast/lunch/Costco buy of food for Sisters/volunteers hot-dogs (earmarked by donors)	\$	(261.58)	
**In Philippines			
*Feed the Children, squatter areas in Pasig: Tawi-tawi, Sar Andres and Flood way run by the Hospitaller Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus			
	\$	(2,073.39)	4 charities in
* Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony mission: poor children catechism, home-bound elderly, and young adults *Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary/Feed the Children run by 2 teachers juices, sugar, snack bars and food gifts for 4 volunteers who also live in the squatter area and catering for 67 x 3 Sundays and taho * Canossian Sons of Charity c/o Fr. Jeephy Simbajon: Catechism food items for poor children and food shared to Canossian Sisters who run an orphanage/mentally challenged-kids *LBC boxes to Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony, Canossian Sons of Charity & Teach the Children How to Pray the		(705.00)	Ph
Rosary and Feed the Children Hostpitaller Sisters of the Sacred Heart			
**In San Diego, USA	۸.	/E00.00\	
*Pastoral Charity Fund of St. Charles Church	\$	(500.00)	
*Jim's Project #70, Homeless Help in the South Bay : food, socks and toiletries for February cont	\$	(1,347.83)	

#### \*\*Special Projects: Mexico, Philippines & U.S.

Total	\$ (1	19,783.83)
	\$	-
benefactor who has cancer		
donation) to Franciscan Sisters of Atonement for a	\$	(1,870.00)
Earmarked for 192 masses & 1 year novenas (part of		
and 100 sardines		
recipients 5 kls of rice, 5 sardines each plus 7, 50 kls of rice	\$	(1,259.00)
* Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony mission: for 155 poor		
tables and covers for children's catechism	Ş	(508.00)
* Canossian Sons of Charity c/o Fr. Jeephy Simbajon: 8	\$	(508.00)
ziploc bags	Ş	(376.60)
*Pray the Rosary guide 2000 pcs for evangelization and	\$	(276 60)
wheelchairs, cushions sets of kitchen wares		
(mother house): electric stove, 3 wheel chairs, 3 transport		
girls: gas range * Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement	\$	(5,771.11)
expansion: building materials* Santa Teresita, home for		
* Beato Juan Pablo II, home for the elderly 10 rooms		

God, thank you for your mercy and love!

03/17/23, the Franciscan Sisters of St. Francis had their catechism and fed the children, mothers, and home-bound elderly. 120 participants were served. "Sr. Joana teach the children the 4 pillars of Faith... The Creed, the 10 Commandments, 7 Sacrament, the prayers, and to start to deepen the Creed...Who is God? Can we see and feel God? Sr. Joana... Give the children activities in groups... List everything you see that God created" A The Sisters continued to serve food from the funds from Rotary Club Sweetwater, San Diego through Mr. Florian. Food served was fried chicken, pancit, rice, apple, and "ginataan" with coconut milk, and other fruit ingredients, a delicacy of the island. The children were happy about the food they ate. The Sisters also received the 4 portable solars donated by Saint Charles Caritas. These will help them daily, especially during brownouts. Thank you Rotary Club and Mr. Florian A Ms. Janiley donated \$100 to fund the 25 children's transportation for more than a week. Also, Ms. Alma funded 1 high school student for 6 months +. Thank you so much to all. Please see videos (only in whatsapp due to it consume bigger memory) and collages about their activities started warming up by singing with actions. 🖾 🌡











## Rosary Session Report March 19, 2023

Have a Blessed Sunday everyone!

Since we fetched our kids outside SAMADA, we adjusted our scheduled time. We started at exactly 9:30 in the morning with attendance and it ended at exactly 12:30 before lunch (The children ate their food in SAMADA) \*Before we started the session, we strictly reminded the children & parents about the safety protocols: - Wear face masks all the time and do social distance.

\*Always think of God, Blessed Mary and Papa Jesus whenever we pray and always encourage their family at home to Pray the Rosary.

\*The opening prayer was led by Teacher Regine & KeishaMae \* We advised children to always think of Jesus/ Blessed Mother Mary while praying. \* Always do a prayer with a heart. \*We thanked God for all the blessings & love. We thank God for being with us, for His guidance and strength in our lives and we thank God for the food that we eat, for the knowledge, wisdom & strength, for all the people around us who make our life meaningful.

We always pray for the Saint Charles Caritas Family and Donors and the healing of the sick.

\*We always pray that Covid-19 will be gone soon. \*We also hope that each and everyone will always stay safe and healthy.

\*We prayed for Prince Yuan Altesin, Paul Bell, Susan Guenzel, Rich Guenzel, Bob Novak, Norma Seibert, Alexis Cantela, John Cantela, Oscar Cantela, Katrina Kraegen, Michael Garcia, Victor Nuñez, Lex Colina, Ms Merlyn Baker, Sister Babylyn Dulfo, Ms Janiley Camarista, Irma Ramirez, Lilia Garcia-Nuñez, Priests, Nuns, Sponsors/Donors , Ms Janiley's Family and the entire Saint Charles Caritas

### \*We prayed for Nova May Española & John Paul Española for their exams

\*We sang Salvation Song, Awit sa Ina ng Santo Rosario, Hallelujah, and Kyrei Eleison.

\* We sang & dance "Ang mga Ibon" & "The Love of Jesus" (new action song)

\*We divide the class into 5 groups and each group consist of 11 or 12 kids, we also appoint a leader who will lead the group with the help of their assistant.

\*Good thing that we grouped them since we can easily know who's absent and present as well as we can easily distinguish the needs of children based on the level of their understanding.

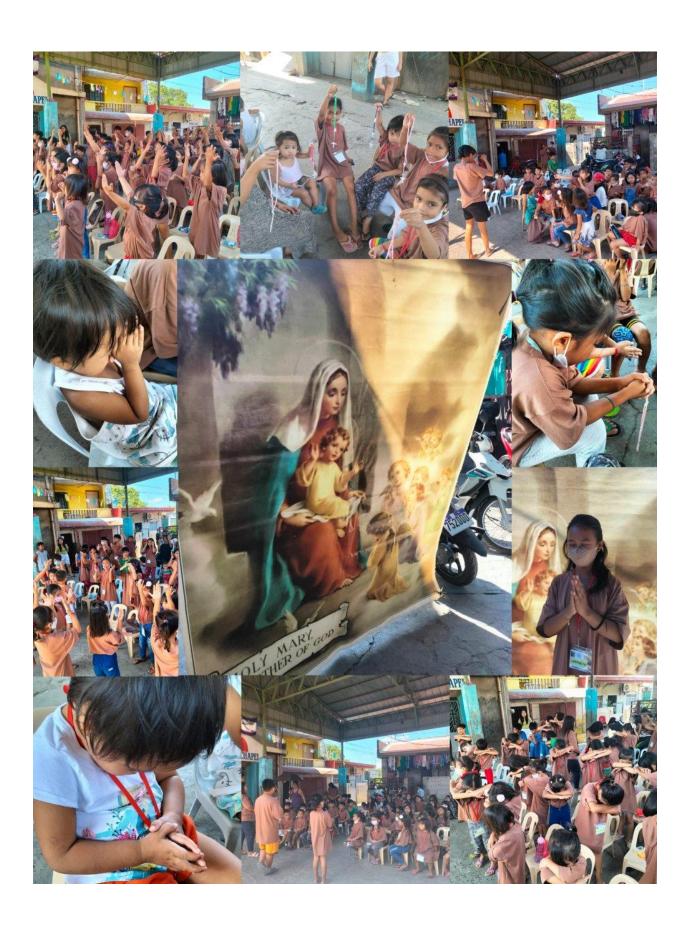
\*Mystery for today's Rosary: Luminous Mystery -Cherilyn -Keyjames -Ezekiel -Keisha Mae -Rachelle

\* Children did a conversational prayer wherein they had time for a 30s or so, to talk to Jesus and Blessed Mother Mary, and it was answered by one another.

- \* Activity 1: Sign of the Cross, and what the children learned in the rosary. (Recap and Summary)
- \*3 Persona (Father, Son and the Holy Spirit)
- \* Activity 2: Quiz bee about Pray The Rosary \*Memorization (Apostles Creed, Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be
- \*We gave chocolate bars for children \*We gave 2 Vitamins for each child. \* Blessed the food led by Suzane
- \*Children volunteered to arrange chairs and helped us to clean the area before & after the session \*We fetched the children from their homes \*Some of the children volunteered to fetch their classmates

Assignments: \*Pray Rosary at home \*Study & Recall the Prayers \*Teach your family, friends, neighborhood on how to pray rosary \*Read your Bible and pray everyday.

Children and Volunteers Food: \* Rice with Adobo Chicken Lemonade Juice and Taho No. of Children - 53 No. of Volunteers- 4 (Teacher Regine, Teacher Analiza, Mary Jane and AJ)





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**03/19/23** was the Canossian Sons of Charity oratorio for children's catechism. "We pray the rosary with children. We were hoping to show a film but the projector did not work. We served a snack. We prepared loaf bread with peanut butter and lemonade for drinks. Before they go home we gave them the snacks bar." The weekly Sunday events are run by Fr. Jeephy with seminarians in Cagayan de Oro island.



## 03/25/23, Saturday mission of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony in Negros Occidental island.

"While reading of the Holy Gospel our children act the Annunciation. Asking them who is Mama Mary. For our proper Catechism Sr Joana continue the Article 1 of the Creed I believe in God the Father Almighty creator of heaven and earth... In praying the Holy Rosary Sr. Erma lead the Holy Rosary and asking the children to re in act every mystery of the joyful mystery.

And for our lunch.. (mixed vegetables with pork, shrimp, squash, string beans, bitter melon, eggplant, okra, with coconut milk) pinakbet na may baboy, shrimp, kalabasa, string beans, ampalaya, talong, okra, na may gata with boiled egg and pineapple for our fruits.. thank you so much! Rotary Club Sweetwater, San Diego California through Mr. Florian for making our lunch healthy and delicious. 192 recipients were served today.\*Giving of allowances for their transportation". Please see 2 collages below.

Thank you to anonymous donors, Ms. Sheila and Gonzalez family for providing a total of \$200 for the transportation allowances for 25 students, 19 in high school and 7 in college. These kids wanted to go to school with the desire to help their poor family when they finished school. These kids reside far from the school and tried hard to be in school. They are all scholars who passed the exams to enter high school and college. The transportation fund for one week for college is 250 pesos exchange rate today is 53.90 per 1 dollar = \$4.64, high school 150 pesos = \$2.78. These funds are managed by the sisters for the students.



# God, you are amazing! Thank you for your graces and blessings to our children!

Please see 3 attached collages below.

Rosary Session Report March 26, 2023

Have a Blessed Sunday everyone!

Since we fetched our kids outside SAMADA, we adjusted our scheduled time. We started at exactly 9:00 in the morning with attendance and it ended at exactly 11:30 before lunch (The children ate their food in SAMADA) \*Before we started the session, we strictly reminded the children & parents about the safety protocols: - Wear face masks all the time and do social distance. \*Always think of God, Blessed Mary and Papa Jesus whenever we pray and always encourage their family at home to Pray the Rosary. \*The opening prayer was led by Teacher Analiza \* We advised children to always think of Jesus/ Blessed Mother Mary while praying. \* Always do a prayer with a heart. \*We thanked God for all the blessings & love.

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- \*We divide the class into 5 groups and each group consist of 11 or 12 kids, we also appoint a leader who will lead the group with the help of their assistant. \*Good thing that we grouped them since we can easily know who's absent and present as well as we can easily distinguish the needs of children based on the level of their understanding.

<sup>\*</sup>Mystery for today's Rosary: Sorrowful Mystery -Cherilyn -Jay R -Keisha Mae -Ezekiel -Keyjames

- \* Children did a conversational prayer wherein they had time for a 30s or so, to talk to Jesus and Blessed Mother Mary, and it was answered by one another.
- \* Activity 1: Sign of the Cross, and what the children learned in the rosary. (Recap and Summary) \*3 Persona (Father, Son and the Holy Spirit) \* Activity 2: Quiz bee about Pray The Rosary \*Memorization (Apostles Creed, Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be
- \*Gift Giving: We gave 60 kids and 4 Volunteers gifts from Saint Charles Caritas. Each person received 1 sack of Rice (5 kilos), 1.14 kg of Chicken Frank King Size Hot dog and 5 Green Sardines.
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Children and Volunteers Food:

\* Pancit with Turon Malagkit Lemonade Juice and Taho No. of Children - 70 No. of Volunteers- 4 (Teacher Regine, Teacher Analiza, Mary Jane and AJ)







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03/26/23, Sunday. The Canossian Sons of Charity in Cagayan de Oro island run by Fr. Jeephy with the seminarians had the Oratorio. "Praying the rosary with children. We offered them pancit noodles and lemonade drinks for merienda, and popcorn while watching animated bible stories. Before going home we gave them snack bars." The project 5 kls of rice, 5 sardines and 1 whole fresh chicken each for 83 recipients will be distributed after Lent.



God bless us all!

Merlyn Baker and Team

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