



Pennies for Peace



What is Pennies for Peace?

The NCSC sponsors a program called Pennies for Peace, where each school collects pennies and other spare change during the year for their region. Then at conference, the regions compete in a “penny war” to see who can collect the most positive (or least negative) amount of money. Pennies represent positive money, while silver coins and bills are negative money. All proceeds are donated to a charity of the NCSC’s choosing.

To whom does the money go?

This year the NCSC has chosen the **Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia** as the recipient of all the money donated to Pennies for Peace. This charity was chosen because the NCSC wants to give back to the communities near where this year’s conference will be held.

The Catholic Charities Appeal provides money to over 80 social service organizations in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, helping almost 250,000 people each year. These programs include such services as nutrition development, special education, and counseling, just to name a few.



Pennies for Peace poem

Find a penny, pick it up,
And all the day you’ll have good luck.
Donate that penny to Pennies for Peace,
And know that you helped those in need.

“Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously, according to your means.”
– *Sirach 35: 9*

Program Ideas for your Campus Ministry

- Hold a “penny war” between classes (freshmen, sophomores, etc.)
- Take a second collection at your school parish
- Invite students to donate freely over the course of a couple months prior to conference
- Or use your creativity to make this program your own!

