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Research Question: How do the programs of The Urban Child Development Resource Center (UCDRC) reflect three of the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching?

Background of the Problem:
- Maslow’s Hierarchy of Needs
- Governmental Funding targets academic work
- Schools have seen a decrease in resources to help students manage non-academic barriers to learning

How was the research conducted?
The Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching
- This study has particular focus on the Call to Family, Community and Participation; Option for the Poor and Vulnerable, and Life and Dignity of the Human Person.
- The End of Year Report of UCDRC which Supports Three Themes

Results:
- UCDRC utilizes the three themes throughout the areas highlighted in the End of Year Report.
- The study supports schools advocating for mental health services.
  The availability of these services supports Catholic social teaching.