



## Catholic Charities

## Our Lady of Lourdes Early Childhood Center

1449 S. Keeler Street  
Chicago, Illinois

**Total Project Cost:**  
\$262,754

**Development Team:**  
Illinois Facilities Fund  
*Project Manager and Lender*

Catholic Charities  
*Owner and Child Care Provider*

Schroeder Murchie Laya  
Associates  
*Architect*

Jones Lang LaSalle  
*Construction Manager*

Novak Construction Company  
*General Contractor*

**Date Completed:**  
May 2004

**Description of Project:**

Catholic Charities' child care center at Our Lady of Lourdes provides child care opportunities for low-income families in the high-need North Lawndale community of Chicago.

Seeking to increase their capacity and serve a larger age range of children, Catholic Charities hired the IFF to manage the renovation and expansion of the Our Lady of Lourdes center. In addition to transforming a vacant room into a high-quality classroom to serve twelve infants and toddlers, the renovation included new flooring, cabinets, and paint that provides a warm and vibrant interior.

*The Our Lady of Lourdes renovation is a project of the IFF's Chicago Children's Capital Fund, a partnership between the IFF and the City of Chicago to increase the child care capacity in Chicago communities that have the greatest need for child care options.*