



# CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS

**T**he Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) works to be a voice of hope for those on the margins of society who experience the realities of living in poverty. CCHD supports programs to heal the wounds of crime and violence, advocate for more just policies, protect God's creation, and develop strong communities. Your donation to CCHD will help build a society where all have a voice and all know their inherent dignity.

In Haddington, Pennsylvania, there is no grocery store that carries fresh produce within its borders. Residents of this town often purchase cheap processed foods from convenience stores resulting in high rates of diet-related illness like obesity. The Urban Tree Connection works with low income communities to develop community-driven gardening projects that give residents an opportunity to develop their leadership skills and build community cohesion. Thanks to a grant from CCHD, Urban Tree Connection, the parent non-profit of Neighborhood Foods Coop, turns vacant land into space for food production

and trains low-income residents to grow and sell food. Nyshae, a member of the community, began by working as a Teen Apprentice where she shadowed an employee at Neighborhood Foods. She is now one of three new adults hired to run youth programs, continuing a cycle of support and hope.

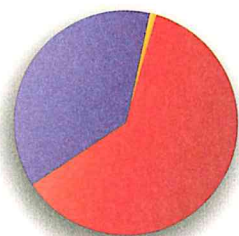
**The Catholic Campaign for Human Development** funds programs in communities across the United States. By giving a hand up, rather than a handout, CCHD helps people living in poverty join together to identify problems, make decisions, and find ways to improve their lives and neighborhoods.

Your support helps to end poverty through building solidarity in our communities. Working together, we can reach out to our brothers and sisters living on the periphery of society. Please visit [www.povertyusa.org](http://www.povertyusa.org) for more details of CCHD's efforts to spread Christ's love by helping to break the cycle of poverty in your community and across the country.



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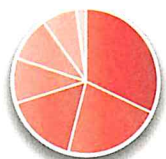
## 2014-2015 GRANTS



- Community and Economic Development  
\$8,451,500 (203 grants)
- Strategic National Grants  
\$4,031,600 (10 grants)
- Technical Assistance  
\$231,763 (21 grants)

**TOTAL: \$12,714,863**

### ● COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS *Breakdown of Community and Economic Development Grants*



- 32% Creating Resilient Communities, Access to Housing & Strong Schools
- 22% Building a Just Economy and Protecting Worker Rights
- 16% Economic Empowerment: New Businesses, Jobs, and Financial Opportunity
- 10% Reforming the Criminal Justice System
- 10% Defending the Rights of Immigrants
- 8% Expanding Access to Healthcare and Empowering Person with Disabilities
- 2% Protecting the Environment

## STRATEGIC NATIONAL GRANTS

Strategic National Grants serve as a catalyst for organizations working to promote justice and economic development regionally and nationally.

Obria Medical Clinics (California)  
*Expanding Pro-life Healthcare Access*

California Catholic Conference (California)  
*Reforming Criminal Justice System*

Society of St. Vincent de Paul (National)  
*Reforming Criminal Justice System*

Catholic Community Services of Western Washington (Washington)  
*Increasing Healthcare Access, Defending Farmworker Rights, Community Organizing*

National Community Land Trust Network (National)  
*Creating Homeownership Opportunities*

PICO National Network (National)  
*Defending the Rights of Immigrants*

Direct Action Research and Training Center (Florida)  
*Reforming the Criminal Justice System*

Democracy at Work (National)  
*Building Cooperative Businesses*

Hope Border Institute (Southwest)  
*Defending the Rights of Immigrants*

Catholic Education Latino Empowerment Initiative (National)  
*Expanding Access to Catholic Education*

## ORIGINS

CCHD was founded in 1970 by the Catholic bishops of the United States as their domestic anti-poverty program. They realized that established charitable services alone were not creating the changes people needed to stay out of poverty. With a goal of creating sustainable systems, the bishops worked to address the policies and structures that perpetuate poverty. CCHD seeks to eliminate poverty by building solidarity in communities.

## IMPACT

CCHD brings Catholic social teaching to life by funding community and economic development programs across the United States that help poor and marginalized people join together to make decisions, seek solutions to local problems, and find ways to improve their lives and neighborhoods. Economic development initiatives help create new businesses and jobs. CCHD also provides educational opportunities for Catholics to learn about poverty, stand in solidarity with those affected by it, and reflect on their own responsibility before the great need of others.

## INVOLVEMENT

You can make a difference:

1. **DONATE.** Your generous support, in the parish collection and throughout the year, is vital to CCHD's anti-poverty mission and creates real change.
2. **LEARN.** CCHD offers awareness programs to learn more about poverty, those affected by it, and our responsibilities as members of the Church. Visit [www.povertyusa.org](http://www.povertyusa.org).
3. **PRAY** for those who give and receive CCHD support, in thanksgiving for generous donors, and to ask support for those struggling.

CCHD is committed to accountability and transparency. It allocates funds to community projects that promote the mission and vision of CCHD while adhering to the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church. Please visit [www.usccb.org/cchd](http://www.usccb.org/cchd) to view funding criteria and see a detailed list of our most recent grants. CCHD's primary source of support is the annual collection held in parishes across the United States. Twenty-five percent of each collection supports anti-poverty projects in the local (arch)diocese where the funds are collected.



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