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CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As chairman of the Subcommittee on the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), I sometimes reflect on the Beatitudes—Jesus' summary of actions and attitudes that God wants from us (see Mt 5:3-12). They are a promise of consolation, but not a call to be passive. You and I are to be Jesus' instruments of blessing to those who yearn for righteousness, who seek peace, and who need mercy. You do that through your gifts to CCHD.

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, / for theirs is the kingdom of heaven,” Jesus says, describing those who recognize their deep reliance on God. This same spirit of faith and perseverance is evident among the families who participate in Las Señoras, an advocacy group of Latino immigrant parents of children with developmental disabilities. Despite the barriers of language and access, they work together to secure the services and support their children deserve. Your gifts to CCHD bring an answer to their prayers.

In rural Kentucky, CCHD brings life to another of Jesus' promises: “Blessed are the meek, / for they will inherit the land.” Lewis County has long been left behind by the national economy. But with your gifts, People's Self-Help Housing (PSSH) helps families build and repair homes and learn trades. At the same time, PSSH supports local businesses and advocates for improved services in distressed communities. Because of you, families are truly inheriting land as they gain good housing that benefits the entire community.

Jesus also says, “Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, / for they will be satisfied. / Blessed are the merciful,

- / for they will be shown mercy.” In Hawaii, beyond the beaches and resorts that come to mind, communities face the realities of poverty and marginalization. Through CCHD’s support, Pacific Peer Connections brings together individuals committed to rebuilding their lives after addiction, incarceration, or other challenges. Together they cultivate mutual support, develop job skills, and accompany one another on a path toward healing and purpose—seeking righteousness and extending mercy along the way.

And Jesus tells us, “Blessed are the clean of heart, / for they will see God. / Blessed are the peacemakers, / for they will be called children of God.” That describes the Restorative Justice Mediation Program, a San Diego initiative that seeks peace, repentance, justice, and reconciliation through dialogue between crime victims and offenders.

The Beatitudes are more than a prayer for the future; they are a statement of how God wants us to respond when we see others in need. We are asked to extend God’s blessing through our actions. And that is what you have done through your gifts to CCHD.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Most Rev. Timothy C. Senior
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**Following organizational restructuring, CCHD carries out its mission as a program of the USCCB Office of National Collections. Mary Mencarini Campbell, Executive Director, effective June 2024.*

***Ralph McCloud completed his service in May 2024.*

****Alexandra Carroll succeeded Mr. McCloud as director in June 2024.*

†Juan Aranda, Lydia Jiles, and Jessica Zurcher completed their service in August 2024.

THE CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CCHD)

embodies the Catholic social teaching principles of solidarity, preferential option for the poor and vulnerable, life and dignity of the human person, and pursuit of the common good. Founded in 1969 by the US bishops, CCHD is rooted in Jesus' call to "to bring glad tidings to the poor . . . / [and] to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18). With poor and marginalized people in the United States, CCHD offers the skills and tools necessary to rise above poverty, support their families, and improve their communities. These grants promote human dignity through grassroots solutions to local problems, and they provide marginalized people with the tools they need to pursue justice. This last grant cycle included more than \$2.2 million for 90 projects, including those listed here.

LAS SEÑORAS, IDAHO

Las Señoras helps Spanish-speaking families who have a developmentally disabled child to navigate the social services bureaucracy and obtain aid to which they are legally entitled. Many of these families are unaware of these services or do not understand the paperwork and procedures necessary to obtain them. Las Señoras holds workshops and conferences to help parents learn to advocate for their children, in part by telling their family's story in a compelling way. Some families go on to meet with legislators to urge improvements in services.

After one key meeting with key state legislators about the difficulty of obtaining children's Medicaid disability services, those legislators raised the issue with the state's Department of Health and Welfare. Not long afterward, the department hired a full-time interpreter.

A \$25,000 grant from CCHD funded a quarter of Las Señoras' annual budget of about \$100,000 and has been vital in helping the organization strengthen its capacity to reach more families.

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE MEDIATION PROGRAM, CALIFORNIA

Based in San Diego, this organization promotes dialogue between crime victims and offenders to build safer, stronger communities and change lives for the better. Some of its many initiatives include structured victim-offender dialogues, educational programs, accompaniment of vulnerable youth, and reentry and vocational programming to help prepare inmates for release. The Restorative Justice Mediation Program also helps offenders and victims of domestic violence to resolve disputes in ways that ensure the safety of victims and survivors.

The program's successes include obtaining support from California's Department of Correction and Rehabilitation for an initiative to reduce sentences for inmates who participate in anger management, employment training, and other steps toward reentry. Advocacy with the San Diego County public defender's office led to an unexpected relationship with the federal public

defender's office, producing a new and growing demand for restorative justice approaches in federal cases.

The Restorative Justice Mediation Program used its \$25,000 grant from CCHD to subsidize the salaries of its director and staff members who train mediators and who support the volunteers who work with crime victims, those who are incarcerated, and communities who have suffered violence.

PACIFIC PEER CONNECTION, HAWAII

A \$10,000 CCHD grant helped to launch a new peer support and advocacy organization in Hawaii for women and youth who have suffered a variety of hardships, including trauma, substance abuse, mental health issues, and incarceration. Hawaii can be an extraordinarily difficult place to live, particularly for Indigenous Hawaiians. Confronted by both high living costs and systemic discrimination, Hawaiian Native women who reenter society after incarceration struggle to find employment for a livable wage.

Pacific Peer Connection facilitates job opportunities and internship positions for women who have recently been released from prison. A primary goal is for veterans of this program to acquire the skills necessary to work professionally in providing peer support for others in need.

PEOPLE'S SELF-HELP HOUSING, KENTUCKY

People's Self-Help Housing (PSSH) was formed by Glenmary Home Missioners in 1982 to provide decent, affordable, energy-efficient housing to low-income people in an Appalachian county in Kentucky. Residents often live in dilapidated, uninsulated mobile homes and houses and can no longer do the necessary repair work.

Since its inception, PSSH has addressed those issues by building about 400 homes, repairing 1,200 more, managing 148 rental units, and training dozens of local people as carpenters, electricians, plumbers, and other highly employable workers. Though Glenmary Home Missioners is no longer involved, the organization remains inspired by Catholic social teaching.

Each house that PSSH builds contributes about \$110,000 in construction salaries and \$115,000 in locally purchased materials to the community; each home it repairs generates \$17,000 in salaries and \$23,000 in local purchases. This commitment to local labor and materials helps strengthen the local economy even as PSSH provides quality, affordable housing to those most vulnerable.

A \$25,000 CCHD grant enabled PSSH to meet critical needs that have arisen with increased construction costs, including emergency home repairs, staff education, and modest raises for workers in a time of inflation.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Other Changes in Net Assets for the Year Ending December 31, 2024.

REVENUES

National Collections Contributions*	\$8,835,340
Grants, Bequests, and Other	\$55,121
Total Revenue	\$8,890,461

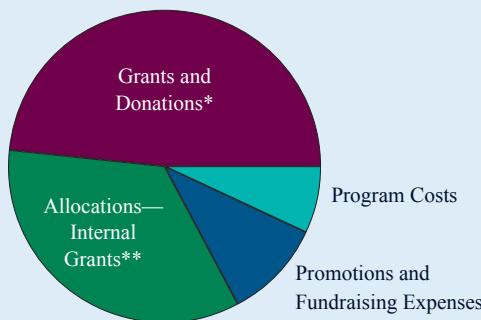
* Includes diocesan CCHD remittances and direct individual and institutional contributions.

EXPENSES

Grants and Donations*	\$2,282,881	48.59%
Allocations—Internal Grants**	\$1,618,856	34.46%
Promotions and Fundraising Expenses	\$471,745	10.04%
Program Costs	\$324,641	6.91%
Total Expenses	\$4,698,123	100%
Total Expenses Excluding Internal Grants	\$3,079,267	
Total Grants & Donations Including Internal Grants	\$3,901,737	

*Grants approved in 2024 totaled \$2,240,000. Grants and donations in 2024 totaled \$3,901,737, which includes payments and amendments to grants approved in 2024 and prior years.

**Internal grants in 2024 included a distribution from the CCHD collection to the education and outreach program of the Secretariat of Justice and Peace, which engages Catholics in our faith-filled call to address the root causes of poverty. In addition, in November 2024, the CCHD subcommittee approved three internal grants totaling \$277,500 to support key national initiatives within the Secretariat of Justice and Peace to enhance poverty education efforts and to sustain the essential work of the Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism in promoting equity, healing, and justice within the Church and society.



Changes in Net Assets from Operations	\$4,192,338
Non-Operating Activities	
Changes in Net Assets	\$4,192,338
Net Assets at the Beginning of the Year	(\$2,830,364)
Net Assets at the End of the Year	\$1,361,974

2024 GRANTS

	GRANT DOLLARS	NUMBER OF GRANTS
Community Development	\$1,930,000	77
Economic Development	\$310,000	13
TOTAL	\$2,240,000	90

2024 CCHD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

CATEGORY	AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE
Creating Resilient Communities, Access to Housing, and Strong Schools	\$1,045,000	54.14%
Building a Just Economy and Protecting Worker Rights	\$395,000	20.47%
Reforming the Criminal Justice System	\$305,000	15.80%
Defending the Rights of Immigrants	\$160,000	8.29%
Protecting the Environment	\$25,000	1.30%
TOTAL	\$1,930,000	100%

2024 CCHD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

CATEGORY	AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE
Home Ownership and Community Real Estate Opportunities	\$200,000	64.52%
Creating Worker and Community-Owned Businesses	\$100,000	32.26%
Job Training and Social Purpose Business Support	\$10,000	3.23%
TOTAL	\$310,000	100%





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