

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS

Dear Diocesan Director,

The power of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) comes from the faith-filled passion for justice exhibited by CCHD-funded groups, activists, and diocesan leaders. Your dedicated support has helped CCHD be a force for positive change for fifty years as it works to alleviate poverty and address the needs of immigrants, workers, and needy families in cities and towns across the country.

Continuing this record of success means forming future leaders with the same passion and spirit to help the next generation rise to the challenges that we face. For more than 20 years, the CCHD internship program has brought together the next generation of leaders to serve in diocesan offices and the national CCHD office in Washington, DC. These young people learn not only about the practical aspects of working to alleviate the root causes of poverty and injustice in the United States but also how the teachings of their Catholic faith lie at the root of CCHD's mission.

As you know, the annual CCHD collection is the sole source of funding for our grant and education programs. **The most effective things you can do to help the CCHD collection are to ask your pastors to mention the collection at Mass and to use the bulletin announcements, parish appeal, and social media tool kit in your outreach, all of which are available for download at www.usccb.org/cchd.** Please share these resources with your parishes to support their efforts.

When your diocese participates in the CCHD collection, you help form the future leaders—but you also strengthen CCHD-funded programs in your community, as 25% of what you raise stays in your diocese to support local antipoverty projects. If you have any questions, please contact me at 202-541-3365 or ngermain@usccb.org. Thank you for joining us to work on the margins.

Sincerely,



Nicole Germain
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