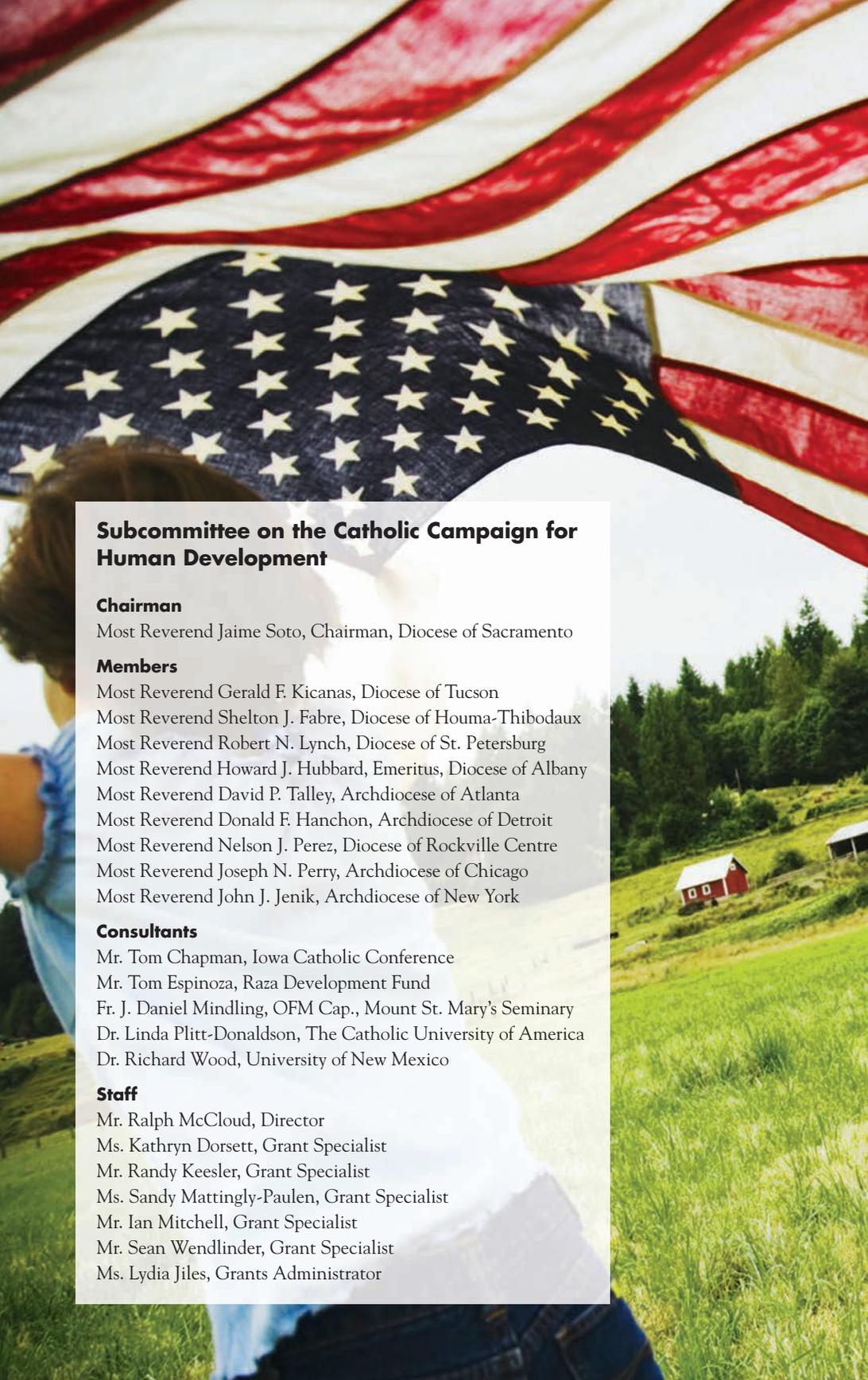


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COLLECTION FOR THE
CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN
FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Annual Report 2015



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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Dear Friends,

I present to you this annual report on the activities of the Subcommittee on the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) from 2015. The work of CCHD is varied, dynamic, and rooted in the evangelical mission to promote justice and mercy for those who live in poverty here in the United States. As you will see in this report, we do not seek to give people a hand out but a hand up. The work of CCHD empowers people to identify issues in their own communities and develop responses to address them. We prioritize subsidiarity: putting power at the level where it can do the most for the common good.

This year, Pope Francis released his apostolic exhortation, *Amoris Laetitia*, to underscore the importance of the family in the Church. He said, “The Church is a family of families, constantly enriched by the lives of all those domestic churches” (no. 87). Standing together as a “family of families” gives the Church the strength and support to address issues of poverty here in the United States. The programs of CCHD work to give families a sustainable life and give children hope for the future.

But this work would not be possible without the support of our larger CCHD family. I thank you for your support and solidarity in addressing the root causes of poverty here in the United States.

Pope Francis has made clear the importance of reaching out with compassion and mercy to neighbors in need in order to build a culture of encounter. So let us walk together as one family in the footsteps of Jesus: “This is the way we may know that we are in union with him: whoever claims to abide in him ought to live [just] as he lived” (1 Jn 2:5-6).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jaime Soto', with a cross symbol to the left of the name.

+Jaime Soto
Bishop of Sacramento
Chairman, Subcommittee on the
Catholic Campaign for Human Development



THE STATE OF **POVERTY** USA

- 47 million people live in poverty.
- More than 20% of children live in poverty.

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) invests in the dignity of our brothers and sisters living in poverty by funding programs that support self-sufficiency and self-determination. Our work is based on the belief that those who live in poverty have the best insight into how to remove the barriers that keep them there. CCHD supports grassroots organizations that work to bring permanent and positive changes to their communities through community development grants, technical assistance grants, economic development grants, and national strategic grants.

Community Development Grants

Community development grants range from \$25,000-\$75,000 and work to nurture solidarity between people living poverty and those who do not. Projects funded by these grants empower those living in poverty to identify and take action to change problematic systems and structures in their communities.

In Action

Around Charleston, South Carolina, many children live in poverty, creating undue stress and uncertainty in their lives. Compounding their problems, deteriorating school systems struggle to provide quality education and appropriate discipline, and there is a high rate of school-based arrests. By engaging congregations and communities all over the city, the Charleston Area Justice Ministry (CAJM) is working to improve the education system and keep kids in school and out of the juvenile justice system. With a grant from the CCHD collection, CAJM is able to provide community engagement to reduce youth arrests and violence, which in turn keeps families together.

Economic Development Grants

Economic development grants range from \$25,000-\$75,000 and support community-based organizations and businesses that create just workplaces, provide quality jobs, and develop assets for low-income people. CCHD supports projects that encourage people living in poverty to hold leadership roles and have ownership in local organizations.



In Action

With a grant from CCHD, El Pájaro Community Development Corporation (CDC) is empowering Latino and Spanish-speaking entrepreneurs like Marleny. Marleny came to the United States from El Salvador, escaping violence and an unsafe situation with a dream to start a restaurant where she could serve traditional Salvadoran food and support her family. She entered the Business Education and Loan Program at El Pájaro CDC and in October 2014 opened Pupuseria Marleny's. With the support and education she received, her business has been so successful that she has already opened a second restaurant. The restaurants have allowed Marleny to provide gainful employment to five new workers and help revitalize her community.

National Strategic Grants

National strategic grants range from \$200,000-\$500,000 and fund projects that promote justice and economic development on a significantly larger scale. Projects funded by these grants are statewide, regional, or national in scope and are typically for campaign-style initiatives with focused, time-specific goals.

In Action

With a national strategic grant from CCHD, Grounded Solutions Network is creating permanently affordable homeownership opportunities for families across the United States. Through a combination of grassroots organizing, research, and advocacy for policy change, Grounded Solutions Network is empowering members to create sustainable and inclusive housing programs. One way this is accomplished is through the Resident Ambassador Program, in which Grounded Solutions Network residents and leaseholders receive leadership development opportunities. With this training, residents gain skills to educate lawmakers about the importance of permanently affordable housing and advocate for these issues on a national stage.

We are abundantly grateful for the thousands of people who generously contribute to CCHD. Without you, our work would not be possible. During Holy Week this year, Pope Francis reminded us, "Jesus comes to redeem us, to send us out, to transform us from being poor and blind, imprisoned and oppressed, to become ministers of mercy and consolation." Let us continue to work together in becoming "ministers of mercy and consolation" to all those on the margins.

COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

*Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Other Changes in Net Assets for the
Year Ending in December 31, 2015*

Revenue

National Collection Contributions:	\$9,763,744
Grants, Bequests, and Other:	\$260,158
Income on Investments:	\$1,689,208
Total Revenue:	\$11,713,110

Expenses

●	Grants and Donations*	\$13,596,320	80.5%
●	Allocations—Internal Grants**	\$2,806,049	16.6%
●	Promotions and Fundraising	\$429,304	2.5%
●	Administrative Expenses	\$58,434	0.4%

Total Expenses Including Internal Grants: \$16,890,107

Changes in Net Assets from Operations:	\$(5,176,997)
Non-Operating Activities	
Unrealized (Loss) Gain on Investments:	\$(1,844,978)
Changes in Net Assets:	\$(7,021,975)

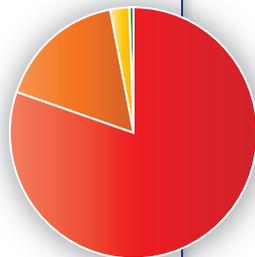
Net Assets at the Beginning of the Year: \$53,089,705

Net Assets at the End of the Year: \$46,067,730

* Grants approved in 2015 totaled \$13,111,900. Grants and donations in 2015 totaled \$13,596,320 and included payments to grants approved in 2015 and in prior years.

** Internal grants include a distribution from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection for CCHD operations expenses and for USCCB Justice, Peace and Human Development's Education and Outreach program that includes engaging Catholics in our faith-filled call to address the root causes of poverty.

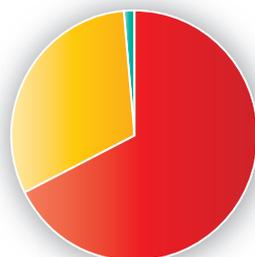
See the complete USCCB financial report at www.usccb.org/about/financial-reporting.



2015-2016 Distribution of Approved Grants

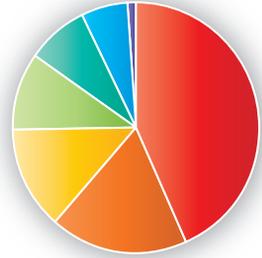
Total Number of Grants: **211** | Total Amount Approved: **\$13,111,900**

Grant Type	Total Number of Grants	Amount Funded
● Community and Economic Development	190	\$8,796,500
● National Strategic and Regional Grants	9	\$4,150,000
● Technical Assistance	12	\$165,400



Community and Economic Development Grants

Area	Percentage
● Creating Resilient Communities, Access to Housing & Strong Schools	43.4%
● Economic Empowerment: New Businesses, Jobs, and Financial Opportunity	18.3%
● Defending the Rights of Immigrants	13.2%
● Building a Just Economy and Protecting Worker Rights	10.1%
● Reforming the Criminal Justice System	8.2%
● Expanding Access to Healthcare and Empowering Person with Disabilities	5.9%
● Protecting the Environment	0.9%



National Strategic and Regional Grants

Organization	Description	Grant Amount
Obria Medical Clinics (California)	Expanding Pro-Life Healthcare Access	\$500,000
California Catholic Conference (California)	Reforming Criminal Justice System	\$500,000
Society of St. Vincent de Paul (National)	Reforming Criminal Justice System	\$500,000
Catholic Community Services of Western Washington (Washington)	Increasing Healthcare Access, Defending Farmworker Rights, Community Organizing	\$500,000
National Community Land Trust Network (National)	Creating Homeownership Opportunities	\$500,000
PICO National Network (National)	Defending the Rights of Immigrants	\$500,000
Hope Border Institute (Southwest)	Defending the Rights of Immigrants	\$500,000
Democracy at Work (National)	Building Cooperative Businesses	\$400,000
Direct Action Research and Training Center (Florida)	Reforming the Criminal Justice System	\$250,000

To learn more about the state of poverty in the United States, visit:

www.POVERTYUSA.ORG



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