

CCHD MISSION STATEMENT

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is the domestic anti-poverty, social justice program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops.

Its mission is to address the root causes of poverty in America through promotion and support of community-controlled, self-help organizations and through transformative education.

Founded in 1969, CCHD's pastoral strategy of empowerment of the poor through a methodology of participation and education for justice, leading toward solidarity between poor and non-poor is impelled by the Church's biblical tradition, modern Catholic social teaching, and the pervasive presence of poverty in the United States. This ministry for justice is rooted in our baptism and faith commitment.

The grants, economic development and education for justice programs of the Campaign, implemented in collaboration with local dioceses, is supported from an annual collection in U.S. Catholic parishes.