



2019 Pulpit Announcement for CCHD Annual Collection

Weeks Prior to the Weekend of November 16-17

The 2019 Catholic Campaign for Human Development collection will take place during the weekend of November 23 – 24, 2019. CCHD is the anti-poverty, social justice program of the US Catholic Church. Last year, nearly \$600,000 was contributed by local parishes to support organizations throughout Cook and Lake County that are committed to robust community and economic development for those living on the margins.

Please consider donating this year to support these programs that help people help themselves. For more information or to donate online, please visit CCHDChicago.org.

Week of November 16-17 (Appeal Weekend)

Next week, our parish will take up the annual collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, also known as CCHD. The mission of CCHD is to address the root causes of poverty in the United States through the promotion and support of organizations that help people help themselves.

CCHD supports these local groups as they create jobs, improve neighborhoods, keep schools safe and enriching for children and raise leaders for the future. CCHD-sponsored programs effectively break the cycle of poverty by building collective power so that people can take action on the issues that affect their lives, families, and communities. [Share a local story – examples from each vicariate are on the next page.]

Last year parishes across the Archdiocese of Chicago raised \$600,000 during collection weekend. This year, the goal is to **raise \$850,000** to support these efforts right here in Cook and Lake counties.

Next week we have the ability to sow tangible seeds of hope by contributing to the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Donations can also be made year-round at www.CCHDchicago.org. Thank you for your continued support.

Week of November 23-24 (CCHD Collection Weekend)

This weekend is the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, which helps to address the root causes of poverty here in Cook and Lake Counties. Your generosity is greatly appreciated as we work together to sow tangible seeds of hope in marginalized communities.



Sample Projects to Incorporate into Announcements

Vicariate I: Lake County Sponsors is working in Vicariate 1 to divert people with mental illness from the criminal justice system by increasing access to affordable housing, securing funding for healthcare and training law enforcement officers in crisis intervention.

Vicariate II: On Chicago's north side, **ONE Northside** is bringing people together to advocate for affordable housing, police accountability, protected social safety net programs and a state budget that prioritizes people over profit.

Vicariate III: In North Lawndale, CCHD funds are helping **St. Agatha Catholic Church** to be a force for positive change and community transformation through its restorative justice work and parent leadership programs.

Vicariate IV: Based in Forest Park, **Progress Center for Independent Living** is run by and for people with disabilities, helping them to live full, independent lives in the community. PCIL recognizes the human dignity of people with disabilities and trains them to develop as leaders.

Vicariate V: Working here in Vicariate V, **Housing Action Illinois** unites a broad coalition to protect and expand the availability of stable, affordable housing throughout Illinois, especially for returning citizens and their families.

Vicariate VI: Alliance of the SouthEast is uniting diverse communities on Chicago's southeast side to empower young people through restorative justice, to improve conditions in local housing complexes and to advocate for equitable development that will protect the environment and support the common good.