



2022 Pulpit or Digital Announcement for CCHD Annual Collection

Week of November 12–13 (Appeal Weekend)

Next week, our parish will take up the annual collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, also known as CCHD. For over 50 years, the mission of CCHD has been 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. [\[Share a local story\]](#)

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 CCHDchicago.org. Thank you for your continued support.

Week of November 19–20 (CCHD Collection Weekend)

This weekend is the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, which for 50 years has helped 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. Donations can also be made at CCHDchicago.org. Thank you for your continued support.

Sample Projects to Incorporate into Announcements

Lake County Sponsors is working in Vicariate I 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.

The **Alliance Community Service** was formed in 2013 in response to the closing of local community service offices of the Illinois Department of Human Services and cuts to Medicaid. By bringing together consumers of public services and service workers, the Alliance empowers poor and oppressed persons to continue the movements for disability rights, welfare rights, racial justice and worker rights. Its goal is a just society and dignity for all persons, through preserving, expanding and improving access to public health, education and welfare.



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. This year, their Parent-to-Parent Outreach has maintained contact with the over 100 families in a network, ensuring that all families have been supported with food, utility assistance and emotional support throughout the pandemic.

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.

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.