



2023 Pulpit or Digital Announcement for CCHD Annual Collection

Week of November 11-12 (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 – examples from each vicariate are at the bottom of the document.]

Last year, parishes across the Archdiocese of Chicago raised \$380,753.68 during collection weekend.

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](https://www.cchdchicago.org). Thank you for your continued support.

Week of November 18-19 (CCHD Collection Weekend)

This weekend is the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, which for over 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](https://www.cchdchicago.org). Thank you for your continued support.

Sample Projects to Incorporate into Announcements

Vicariate I: In Vicariate I, Lake County Sponsors is working 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: In Vicariate II, Alliance for Community Services empowers poor and oppressed persons to continue the movements for disability rights, welfare rights, racial justice and worker rights. Their goal is a just society and dignity for all persons, through preserving, expanding and improving access to public health, education and welfare.

Vicariate III: In Vicariate III, Genesis Cleaning Co-op is a worker-owned cooperative that provides excellent cleaning services while providing dignified wages to its workforce. Genesis Cleaning seeks to enhance and build strong relationships with businesses to build a fair and equal economy.

Vicariate IV: In Vicariate IV, 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 provides them with leadership development.

Vicariate V: In Vicariate V, Working Family Solidarity is working to build alliances between low-income families to overcome racial divisiveness and attain racial equity and economic justice. Their goal is to build racial solidarity beyond the workplace and to address the gentrification and unequal development affecting low-wage workers and their families.

Vicariate VI: In 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.