

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS

Dear Diocesan Director,

Soon your diocese will take up the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. As you know, this collection works across the country to lift up the voices of people who live in poverty and create change in their communities. It also assists your local communities through the 25 percent share that stays in your diocese. Through this collection, we answer the call of our faith to be in solidarity with those on the margins of our society.

In Los Angeles, many people struggle to find housing in their communities. There are many who find themselves homeless or displaced. Without the stability of safe and affordable housing, many are forced to continue living trapped in the cycle of poverty. But with your support, People Organized for Westside Renewal in Los Angeles (POWER LA) develops leaders and assists them in creating change in their communities. Your support helps POWER LA identify local leaders to lead campaigns that range from combating unfair fees to forming new policies. These local leaders are the ones most affected by unfair policies, and you help them make their voices heard.

With your support, people living on the margins can create real change in their lives. **The most effective way to support the collection is to ask your pastors to mention it at Mass.** Resources, including a parish appeal, bulletin announcements, and a social media tool kit, are available online for download at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection. Please share these resources with your parishes to support their efforts.

Don't forget, 25 percent of funds collected stay in your diocese for anti-poverty projects! If you have any questions, please contact Nicole Germain, assistant director for promotions, at 202-541-3365 or at ngermain@usccb.org. Thank you for joining us to work on the margins.

Gratefully in Christ,



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