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Dear Communication Director/Editor,

For over 40 years the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has provided funding to groups that empower individuals to break the cycle of poverty in communities across the United States. The national date for the CCHD Collection is quickly approaching. The Collection is the primary funding source for CCHD's anti-poverty grants and education programs. Without the support of (arch)dioceses like yours, this good work would not be possible.

In the low-income neighborhood of Roxbury, near Boston, Dearborn Middle School is struggling academically and holding classes in a dilapidated building. Greater Boston Interfaith, a CCHD grant recipient, is helping parents, teachers, administrators, students, and congregations organize to turn the school into the state's first 6-12 STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) high school. By getting involved at the ground level with the support of the superintendent and state treasurer, Greater Boston Interfaith is able to train church leaders in the skills necessary to support the STEM school's work and ensure its successful implementation. They understand that a strong education is key to breaking the cycle of poverty.

Please support these and other CCHD efforts by promoting the Collection in your diocese with the resources available on our website, www.usccb.org/nationalcollections. There you will find ads, clip art, web banners, and more. Remember that 25% of the Collection stays in your diocese for local anti-poverty projects. If you would like more information about CCHD or other national Collections, please contact Mary Menzarini Campbell at 202-541-3346 or ncpromo@usccb.org.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Jaime Soto
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"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." (Lk 12:34)

