

# SUPPORT THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE



## RESTORE THE CHURCH BUILD THE FUTURE

The fall of communism in Central and Eastern Europe in 1989 gave the Catholic Church the freedom to worship openly once again, but much of the infrastructure of the Church was gone. This created great challenges and still presents many complications for the Church today as she supports the spiritual lives of those who live in this region. Your support of the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe (CCEE) is strengthening the life of the Church and building the future for those who live there.

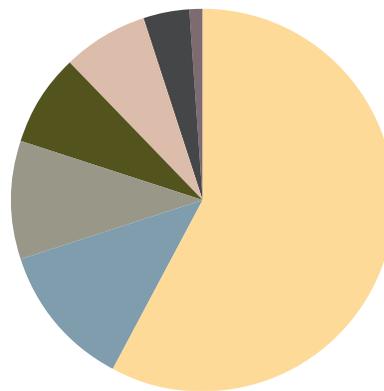
After the fall of communism in Romania, virtually none of the Greek Catholic churches that were confiscated by the communist regime were recovered. As a symbol of the sacrifice of their ancestors, the Eparchy of Cluj-Gherla began construction of the Cathedral of the Martyrs and Confessors of the Twentieth Century in the city of Cluj-Napoca in 1992. With your support of the Collection for CCEE, the cathedral is on target to be completed in 2018. It will serve not only as a place of prayer but also as a location for pastoral care—hosting a library, conference hall, and activities for children and youth, as well as an exhibition of the history of the eparchy. Your support of this collection is providing a place of prayer, gathering, and learning for the people of this eparchy.

Please be generous in the collection this year. More information about the Collection for CCEE and the projects it supports can be found at [www.usccb.org/ccee](http://www.usccb.org/ccee).

### 2015 DISTRIBUTION OF GRANTS

**Total Number of Grants Approved: 274**  
**Total Amount Approved and Paid: \$7,688,488**

#### PROGRAM AREA



- Construction and Equipment
- Education, Formation, and Evangelization
- Operational Support
- Scholarships
- Poverty Outreach and Miscellaneous Programs
- Vehicle Purchase
- Communications Programs



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