The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is the national anti-poverty program of the US Catholic Bishops.

Each year, the national collection for CCHD is used to provide grants to non-profit organizations that work to break the cycle of poverty through community or economic development projects.

The 2016 collection date is November 19-20. Please give generously.

**Local Grants**: 25% of the collection taken in our Archdiocese remains in our Diocese to fund local projects. Local “seed” grants of $1,500-$10,000 are available to eligible groups working with the poor to address long-term solutions. CCHD may also match grants from The Catholic Foundation. Local grants are available at any time.

**National Grants**: The remaining 75% of the collection is pooled with other Dioceses to fund larger national grants. National grants may award $25,000-$75,000. A “Pre-Application” to determine National grant eligibility is available September 1st until November 1st at www.usccb.org/cchd/grants. In addition, a portion of the national collection supports USCCB poverty awareness education and CCHD national administration.

**2016 National and Local Grant Recipients**

**CENTER FOR SOCIAL SUSTAINABLE SYSTEMS**

CESOSS is using CCHD funds to support El Agua es Sagrada Initiative which strives to protect the water rights of property owners. They hold educational workshops for the community in collaboration with 6 active acequias. They share historical information on acequia culture as it relates to agriculture and land preservation.

**CENTER OF SOUTHWEST CULTURE**

CSC is assisting farmers in northern NM set up organic farming cooperatives and develop markets to sell produce. This project is providing jobs and increasing incomes from small-scale farming. Since 2010, they have helped launch 17 cooperatives, which have generated more than 90 part-time and full-time jobs.

**SOMOS UN PUEBLO UNIDO**

Somos is a grassroots, immigrant-led organization which runs the only United Workers Center of New Mexico. This center conducts “Know Your Rights” workshops, promotes pro-worker policies and laws, and organizes against rights abuses, such as wage theft, in the individual workplaces by forming worksite committees.

**CORNERSTONES**

Cornerstones is a historic preservation organization that provides technical and fundraising consultation. In Mora County, they are helping youth from low-income families to acquire jobs, learn building restoration skills, practice leadership, and develop time management skills. This grant was jointly awarded with the Catholic Foundation.

Contact the Archdiocese of Santa Fe Office of Social Justice and Respect Life if you are interested in applying for a grant or would like more information about CCHD: Email justice@archdiossf.org, or Phone: (505) 831-8167. Learn more about CCHD at www.usccb.org/cchd.