

COLLECTION FACT SHEETS – 2026

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CCHD)

CCHD was founded in 1969 by the Catholic bishops of the United States as their domestic anti-poverty program. They realized that outreach through established charitable services alone were not creating the changes needed to move and keep people out of poverty. The bishops saw a need to address policies and systems that perpetuate poverty as a complement to their direct service programs.

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development works to uphold the dignity of human life by breaking the cycle of poverty across the United States through grants to local community-based groups to create jobs, improve education and helps to strengthen our neighborhoods. Twenty-five percent of the CCHD Collection remains in our Diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects; seventy-five percent supports national grant and education programs which reflects on our faith response.

For years, a third of CCHD’s grants have helped support education, assisted the economic development to help improve housing in low-income neighborhoods. CCHD has funded projects that empower poor and low-income people to join together to solve problems within their communities. Local grants fund agencies in our Diocese. One recipient is Housing Opportunities of Northern Kentucky (HONK), which helps people realize the value of owning a home.

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN

How the Good News Gets Around

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops established the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) collection to respond to the national and local communications needs of the Church. The collection is unique in that all proceeds are split equally between each participating diocese and the national office. Dioceses use their share of the CCC collection to support local communication efforts such as televised Masses and diocesan newspapers. On the national level, CCC funds support the development and production of a wide range of media initiatives that are carried out by USCCB staff and grantee organizations. A portion of the CCC’s national funds are also set aside for grants to aid Catholic communication efforts in developing nations. Fully, 50 percent of collected funds stay in our Diocese to support local communications projects. The other 50 percent supports national projects in the United States and around the world.

Catholic Communication Campaign is how the Good News gets around!

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

In 2024, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal supported the following ministries:

• Strengthening Marriage & Family Life	\$ 125,000
• Faith Formation	\$ 2,045,000
• Diocesan & Parish Assistance	\$ 2,485,000
• Vocations & Formation of Deacons, Priests, and Religious	\$ 1,810,000
• Cultural Ministries	\$ 725,000
• Life & Dignity of the Human Person	\$ 50,000
• Special Grants	\$ 938,475

Through the generosity of your contributions, home mission dioceses will receive resources they need to support their parishes and strengthen the Church at home. Your gift today is an act of solidarity with your struggling brothers and sisters in Christ. Donations support aid to poor parishes, evangelization, religious education, education of seminarians, education of deacons and lay ministers, ministry with ethnic groups, prison ministry, campus ministry, communications, youth and young adult ministry, and ministry with disabled persons.

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

Located in Washington, D.C., The Catholic University of America is unique as the only national University of the Catholic Church in the United States and the only higher education institution founded by the U.S. Bishops. Established in 1887 as a papal chartered graduate and research center, the University began offering undergraduate education in 1904. Today the private and co-educational campus has 2,929 undergraduate and 2,130 graduate students enrolled in 12 schools of architecture and planning, arts and sciences, canon law, engineering, law, library and information science, music, nursing, philosophy, professional studies, social service and theology and religious studies.

THOMAS MORE UNIVERSITY

The Benedictine Sisters of Covington, Kentucky, founded Villa Madonna College in 1921 to train Catholic school teachers and to provide college education for young women. In 1945, Villa Madonna was designated a co-educational college, and affirmation of its goals and increasing enrollment prompted relocation of the college from downtown Covington to Crestview Hills.

Today, Thomas More serves more than 2,000 full and part-time students, providing them with something much more than job training. Graduates from Thomas More are prepared for any career, but they leave the University prepared for much more. They are exposed to the very best thought, literature, art, and music. They learn to harness the power of human reason to solve problems and discover truth. Most importantly, they have the chance to begin to become the person they were created to be. This is the power of the liberal arts in the Catholic Intellectual Tradition at Thomas More University.

THE NATIONAL BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION

Since 1884, proceeds from the Black and Indian Mission Collection have been distributed as grants to Dioceses that support and strengthen evangelization programs that could otherwise be in danger of disappearing among the African American, American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut communities of the United States.

The Diocese of Covington annually receives a grant from the National Black and Indian Mission Office to support our evangelization programs in parishes and schools that serve our Black American and Native American brothers and sisters.

Our Diocese received **\$32,600 from the Black and Indian Mission Grant office for the grant period of January 2025 through December 2025.** The grant monies were distributed as follows:

• ACUE	\$ 22,400	Tuition assistance
• Holy Cross District High School	\$ 4,800	Tuition assistance
• St. Cecilia School	\$ 600	Tuition assistance
• Our Savior Parish	\$ 800	To provide cultural music for the congregation.
• Newport Central Catholic High School	\$ 3,200	Tuition assistance
• Mary, Queen of Heaven School	\$ 800	Tuition assistance

