

INTERNATIONAL PROJECT PROPOSAL

MULTIPLE PROJECTS

Working Together to Help the Poor in Latin America and the Caribbean



Strength in Unity

The Roman Catholic Church is the planet's greatest global force for fighting poverty. Catholic leaders are eager to help the poor, and many have insightful strategies for achieving this goal.

At Cross Catholic Outreach, our mission is to **mobilize the global Catholic Church to transform the poor and their communities materially and spiritually for the glory of Jesus Christ**. We do this by empowering existing ministries and their clergy, sisters and lay workers already serving in the field.

Recently, at the request of Cardinal Turkson, prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, Cross Catholic Outreach formed a partnership with the *Populorum Progressio Foundation*, which was established by the Church with the express purpose of serving the poor in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Join us in this exciting partnership to serve the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean!



“The situation in Latin America requires a stronger commitment, in order to improve the living conditions of all, without excluding anyone, also fighting against injustice and corruption, so as to obtain the best results of the efforts deployed.” – POPE FRANCIS



BY SUPPORTING **AGRICULTURE**

By following good farming practices, we can turn Latin America and countries in the Caribbean into a “breadbasket of the world.” Your support for the Church’s agriculture programs will encourage struggling farmers to follow sustainable farming practices to improve their crop yields without harming God’s earth. It will also provide them with the tools they need to be self-sustaining, which keeps families together and builds stronger communities.

PROJECTS YOU CAN SUPPORT

- Organic Farming in Bolivia
- Hydroponics Greenhouse Construction in Brazil
- Organic Greenhouse Construction in Colombia
- Seed Cultivation in the Dominican Republic
- Farming Supplies and Workshops in El Salvador
- Cacao Production in El Salvador
- Livestock Resources in Peru

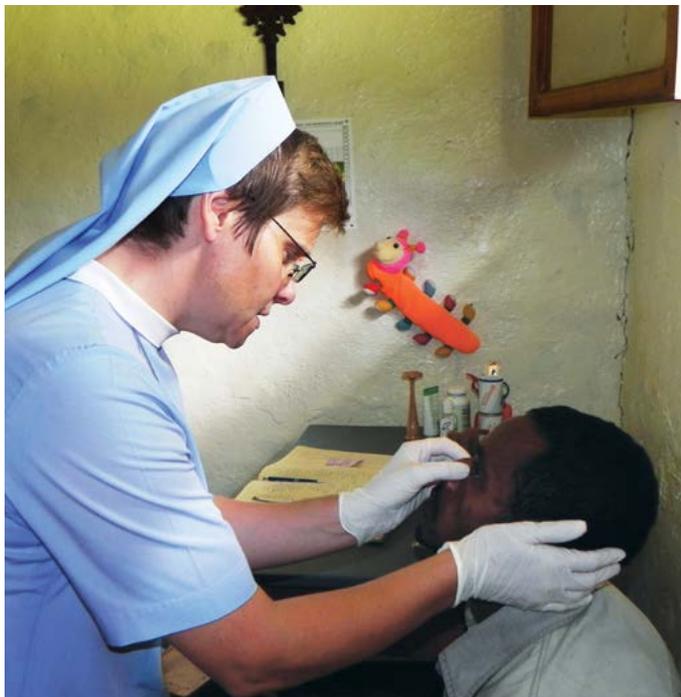


BY INVESTING IN **MICROENTERPRISE**

In developing countries, banks aren’t interested in offering small loans to people with little or no savings. So if poor entrepreneurs want to start a small business selling toiletries, styling hair or raising chickens, they have to turn to exploitive money lenders. Support for the Church’s efforts to provide small business opportunities for the poor enables hardworking men and women to pursue income-generating activities and become self-sufficient.

PROJECTS YOU CAN SUPPORT

- Poultry Production in Brazil
- Community Bakery in Colombia
- Fishery Microbusiness in Colombia
- Microenterprise for People with Disabilities in Colombia
- Entrepreneurship for Domestic Violence Survivors in Colombia
- Beekeeping in Nicaragua



BY PROVIDING **HEALTH CARE**

It's hard for most of us to imagine a world where basic medical care is out of reach — but for many poor families in developing countries, these risks and challenges are a common way of life. Mothers are unable to take their sick children to see a doctor and even if they could, basic supplies such as antibiotics, bandages and nonprescription drugs are rare. Some families even struggle to find clean, safe water to wash out a wound. Your generous support will bring health and hope to those who need it most.

PROJECTS YOU CAN SUPPORT

- Maternal Childcare in Colombia
- Eye Clinic Supplies in Peru



BY SUPPORTING **CLEAN WATER & SANITATION**

Water is the foundation of all life. By supporting the Church's efforts to provide sanitary wells and community water systems for the poor, you will bring profound change. Families will no longer be forced to gather water from contaminated sources. Children will no longer miss school because they are ill from waterborne diseases or are spending their days fetching water. The elderly — who are most vulnerable to illness — will no longer become sick from quenching their thirst with polluted water.

PROJECTS YOU CAN SUPPORT

- Micro-Irrigation in Bolivia
- Wells and Water Reservoirs in El Salvador



Please Give Generously



Help us mobilize the global Catholic Church, and transform the poor in Latin America and the Caribbean

Your response to this urgent need will help support 17 poor communities in Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Nicaragua and Peru. It will bring aid to the priests, brothers, sisters and lay workers who work in these communities to vastly improve the lives of the poor. Most important of all, it will glorify God and provide a tangible example of the grace that is ours in Christ Jesus.



Cross Catholic OUTREACH

Delivering Food, Shelter and Hope to the Poorest of the Poor

Our Mission

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Good Stewardship

We consider every gift we receive as a precious resource from God. We direct every donation to its intended project, provide honest and accurate reports to our donors, and keep overhead costs to an industry low. We handle funds with utmost integrity and hold our ministry partners in the field to the same high standards by asking them to document costs and the impact of their outreach. These detailed accountability measures have earned us ongoing accreditation by the following organizations:



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