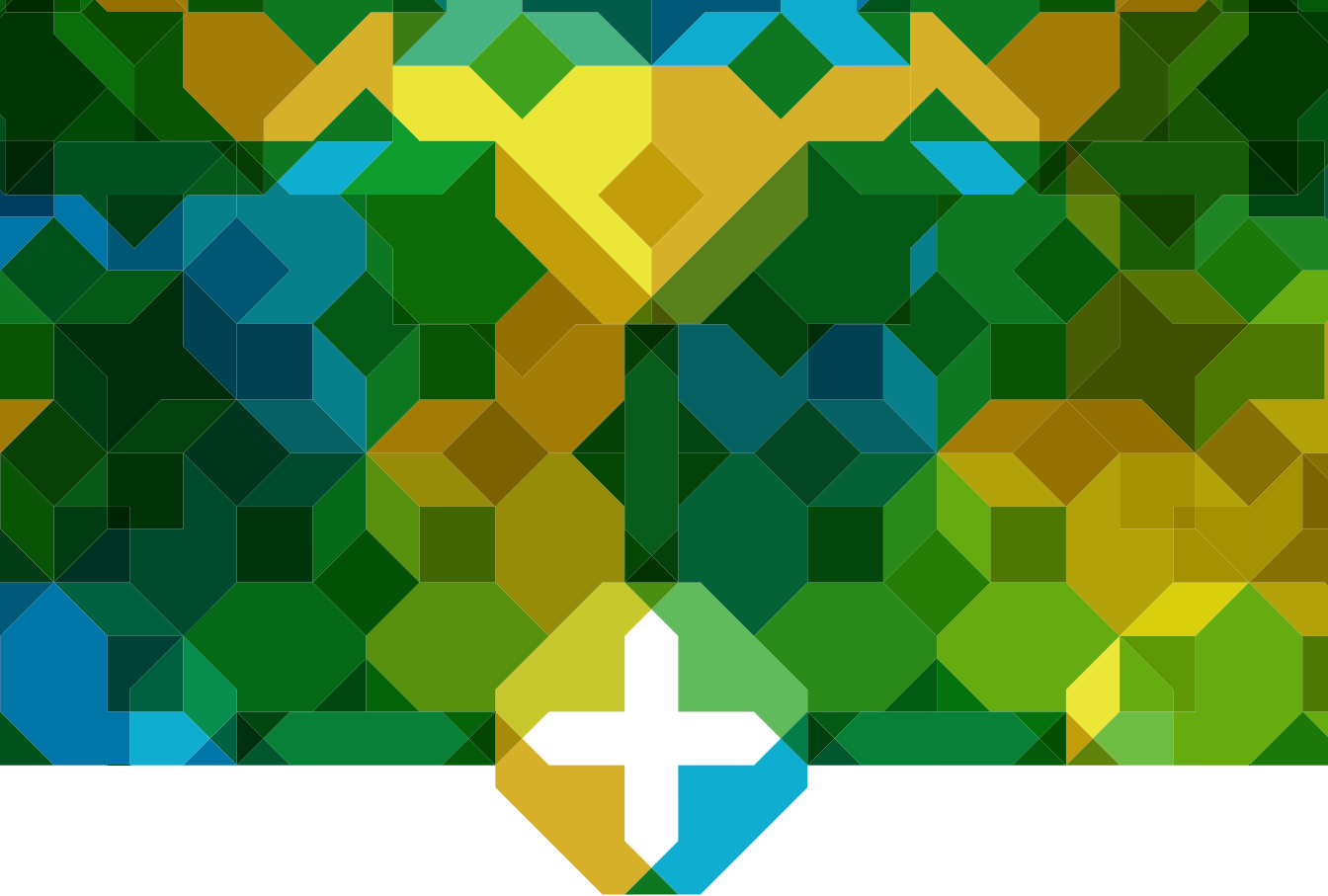




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Archdiocese of Chicago



No amount of “peace-building” will be able to last, nor will harmony and happiness be attained in a society that ignores, pushes to the margins or excludes a part of itself.

A society of that kind simply impoverishes itself, it loses something essential. We must never, never allow the throwaway culture to enter our hearts! We must never allow the throwaway culture to enter our hearts, because we are brothers and sisters.

No one is disposable! Let us always remember this: only when we are able to share do we become truly rich; everything that is shared is multiplied! Think of the multiplication of the loaves by Jesus! The measure of the greatness of a society is found in the way it treats those most in need, those who have nothing apart from their poverty!



(7/25/13, Varginha)

Pope Francis





The Catholic Campaign for Human Development continues to hold a special place in the Archdiocese of Chicago. Since 1970, the CCHD has brought the glad tidings of the Gospel to many of our brothers and sisters that are poor.

We are in solidarity because every person is created in the image and likeness of God. This common dignity calls us to a solidarity among all people to work together to create a just and peaceful society.



Francis Cardinal George



For more than forty years, Chicago Catholics have answered the call of the Second Vatican Council to make God known through lives of faith and justice (cf. *Gaudium et Spes*, #21). In understanding that we are a mission-driven Church, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) was born to live out the principles of Catholic Social Teaching vibrantly in our communities, cities, and throughout the country.

By partnering with hundreds of community-based organizations, CCHD has played a key role in empowering the marginalized to eradicate unjust institutional structures that affect their lives and those of their neighbors. In addressing the root causes of poverty, CCHD grantees have fought tirelessly against mass incarceration, funding cuts for mental health facilities, violence in our streets, unjust working conditions and pay, and other issues that do not reflect our values as a Church.

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development animates Catholic Social Teaching in society in very real ways. The gracious donations from the CCHD Annual Collection in November makes it possible to fund organizations that help persons with disabilities fight for accessibility and more services; empower the immigrant community to demand fair legislation; build alternative economic structures through social enterprises; help communities use restorative justice practices to bring about peace; and so much more.

In *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis has been urging Catholics to reawaken our responsibility to bring about the reign of God in society. By saying “no to an economy of exclusion” and “no to the new idolatry of money”, we put the poor at the center of our decision making to ensure they are protected and empowered. CCHD helps ensure our Catholic values will be at the heart of our society’s values.

On behalf of Cardinal George, the Office for Peace and Justice, and those uplifted through support of the CCHD, may God continue to bless you and your generosity.

In Jesus and Mary,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jude Huntz', with a stylized, flowing script.

Jude Huntz

Director

Office for Peace and Justice

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is dedicated to funding social justice projects and organizations that uphold Catholic Social Teaching.

Throughout this report, we have indicated which of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops 7 Major Themes of Catholic Social Teaching is being upheld by each grantee with an acronym below their summaries.

Life and Dignity of the Human Person (LDHP)

The Catholic Church proclaims that human life is sacred and that the dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for society. This belief is the foundation of all the principles of our social teaching. In our society, human life is under direct attack from abortion and euthanasia. The value of human life is being threatened by cloning, embryonic stem cell research, and the use of the death penalty. The intentional targeting of civilians in war or terrorist attacks is always wrong. Catholic teaching also calls on us to work to avoid war. Nations must protect the right to life by finding increasingly effective ways to prevent conflicts and resolve them by peaceful means. We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person.

Call to Family, Community, and Participation (CFCP)

The person is not only sacred but also social. How we organize our society — in economics and politics, in law and policy — directly affects human dignity and the capacity of individuals to grow in community. Marriage and the family are the central social institutions that must be supported and strengthened, not undermined. We believe people have a right and a duty to participate in society, seeking together the common good and well-being of all, especially the poor and vulnerable.

AMOUNT AWARDED	ORGANIZATION
\$35,000.00	IRON
\$37,000.00	Jane Addams Senior Caucus
\$35,000.00	Lake County Center for Independent Living
\$65,000.00	Latino Union

NATIONAL GRANTEES AMOUNT AWARDED
\$35,000.00 Parish Peace Project
\$25,000.00 Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation
\$65,000.00 Progress Center for Independent Living
\$10,000.00 St. Pius V (Technical Assistance Grant)
\$30,000.00 Waukegan to College

IIRON

\$35,000 (CFCP, OPV, LDHP, S)

The Chicago region is suffering from a crisis of poverty and inequality. More than 800,000 people live under the poverty line in Cook County, and the state's budgets for health care and human services have gone down by 20% and 30% respectively when adjusted for inflation. IIRON organizes to help ordinary people, particularly low-income people, become powerful leaders who will act collectively, hold elected officials and corporations accountable, and work to create a more just economy.

This year, IIRON has:

Trained more than 60 leaders in community organizing skills

Drafted and introduced a Chicago city ordinance aimed at corporate tax accountability

Launched a campaign to reform Cook County's bail/bond system





Jane Addams Senior Caucus

\$37,500 (CFCP, OPV, LDHP, S)

Jane Addams Senior Caucus is a multiracial, grassroots organization led by concerned seniors in the Chicago metropolitan area. We cross neighborhood, racial, religious and socio-economic lines to find common ground upon which to act on our values. Through leadership development, organizing and popular education, we use the power of our collective voice to work for economic, social and racial justice for all seniors and our communities. JASC has a proud history of effective community organizing on health care, housing and economic justice. We are known for turning out large numbers of our members to public rallies, hearings and press conferences.

Lake County Center for Independent Living

\$35,000 (CFCP, OPV, LDHP, S, RR)

Lake County Center for Independent Living (LCCIL) recruits, trains, mobilizes leaders to achieve equal access for people with disabilities. Lake County has few affordable accessible housing options and limited public transportation for people with disabilities, seniors, and those of low income. Activities resulted in the expansion of a transportation pilot project to include new destinations in the county, this pilot now involves one third of the townships in Lake County. Additionally, we are working to create housing options that are both affordable and accessible in Lake County; addressing concerns such as geographic location, access to public transportation and medical care, and provider choice.



Latino Union

\$65,000 *(CFCP, OPV, LDHP, S)*

Latino Union collaborates with low-income immigrant and US born workers to develop the tools necessary to collectively improve social and economic conditions. Latino Union's domestic worker organizing project, the Chicago Coalition of Household Workers, represented caregivers nationally in the victorious campaign to end homecare workers' exclusion from minimum wage and overtime. This represents a victory against racism and for working women of color. Recognizing the need for alliance work to create systemic change, Latino Union, six leading Chicago based workers centers, and the Working Hands Legal Clinic united to form the Raise the Floor Alliance in 2014 to improve low-wage jobs and build power for workers.



Parish Peace Project

\$35,000 (CFGR, OPV, LDHR, S)

The violence epidemic in Chicago takes lives and traumatizes people. We incarcerate and punish at-risk youth and those with mental health and addiction issue. Meanwhile, many Latino youth and young adults are failing educationally and economically. The Parish Peace Project, a collaboration between fifteen parishes and the Young Adult Ministry Office, responds by connecting ministry, restorative justice and community organizing. In July, 700 persons met with Sheriff Tom Dart, who agreed to create a restorative justice hub on the southwest side, to create new support services including counseling for youth and to develop mental health services for the undocumented.

Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation

\$25,000 (CFGR, OPV, LDHR, S)

PBMR is dedicated to assisting young people in learning job skills, urban farming (an area of real growth in the city), self awareness and leadership skills. The youth are able to work side-by-side with older community residents that enable the generational gap to be slowly eliminated. Youth are learning skills and the community is bringing forth other ideas for other projects.

Progress Center for Independent Living

\$65,000 (CFCP, OPV, LDHP, S, RR)

Progress Center for Independent Living is a non-profit, non-residential, consumer controlled disability rights organization serving suburban Cook County, Illinois. As a part of the disability rights movement, Progress Center's mission is to build a society in which people with disabilities shall have the same freedoms, rights, and civil liberties as everyone else. We directly assist individuals with all types of disabilities and a wide range of accommodation needs to achieve their self-determined goals. We also engage in social justice advocacy for the rights of people with disabilities on the local, state and national levels.



St. Pius V

\$10,000 (CFCP, OPV, LDHP, S)

St. Pius V parish in Chicago will resource faith-based organizations, especially Catholic parishes and entities throughout the Archdiocese of Chicago, to create greater awareness about domestic violence, which directly affects one in four women in our midst and causes victims nationwide to lose nearly 8 million days of paid work each year. The project will develop parish ministries and build a network of churches to assist them and their children. With 13 years of experience of a formal, bilingual, parish-based domestic violence program, St. Pius V is uniquely qualified to support parishes and other archdiocesan institutions in creating effective pastoral responses to victims of domestic violence.

St. Pius V

Waukegan to College

\$30,000 *(CFCP, OPV, LDHP, S)*

W2C helps students prepare, enroll, and graduate from college. W2C serves low income families of color, the majority Latino immigrants. Need: With a poverty rate of 70% in Waukegan, there is a desperate need for children to pursue higher education as a path out of poverty. In a community with a failing school system and a lack of college-going-culture, the odds of getting to college are extremely long. The average ACT score is 16.5, and only 23% of students meet or exceed performance at grade level. Accomplishments: In 2011, a Parent Leaders Team was formed to build relationships, develop as leaders, and push for education reforms.

AMOUNT AWARDED	ORGANIZATION
\$15,000.00	Interfaith Leadership Project
\$20,000.00	Restaurant Opportunities Center
\$20,000.00	Catholic Charities
\$20,000.00	United Power for Action and Justice
\$20,000.00	Office for Immigrant Affairs and Immigration Education
\$20,000.00	St. Pius V

LOCAL GRANTEES AMOUNT AWARDED
\$15,000.00
\$20,000.00
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LOCAL GRANTEES AMOUNT AWARDED



Restaurant Opportunities Center

\$20,000 (DWRW, S, LDHP)

The Restaurant Opportunities Center (ROC) of Chicago is a multiracial membership-based organization that is dedicated to raising standards within the restaurant industry. Chicago has the second largest restaurant industry in the nation with nearly 250,000 workers employed within it – many who continue to suffer from low-wages, lack of benefits, and exploitation. As part of our dedication to lift working conditions in the restaurant industry, ROC-Chicago has: released the most groundbreaking and comprehensive report ever conducted on Chicago’s restaurant industry; recruited and developed the leadership of over 800 low wage restaurant workers; fought to win Paid Sick Day benefits and prevent the freeze of a subminimum wage for tipped workers.





Catholic Charities

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\$20,000 (DWRW)

In 2013, Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement Program, with funding from CCHD, launched Loom, a social enterprise for refugee women. At Loom, women from Iraq, Congo, Bhutan and Afghanistan produce beautiful handmade products designed in collaboration with local Chicago designers. Trainings focused on design and business development are offered to each of the artisans so that women have the opportunity to create, market and sell their products as an additional source of income for their families. Like our tagline, “woven together”, the artisans of Loom are truly woven together as they work together to produce beautiful products, handmade locally in Chicago.

United Power for Action and Justice

\$20,000 (\$, LDHP)

United Power is a Cook County-wide, broad-based citizens organization dedicated to building power through relationships across race, class, religion, political affiliation, and geography to take action on justice issues. Since 2010, Illinois has settled three class action lawsuits calling for our state to move at least 15,000 people with disabilities out of institutions and nursing homes into integrated community settings within 5 years. Our campaign generates much-needed housing for people with disabilities by: identifying local housing needs, shaping strong proposals, mapping-out the path to funding and approval and running campaigns to move the proposals from drawing board to the grand opening in four distinct geographic areas of the region.

Office for Immigrant Affairs and Immigration Education

\$20,000 (*S, LDHP*)

The Archdiocese of Chicago created the Office for Immigrant Affairs in 2009 to welcome, accompany and empower immigrants toward their formation and integration as full members of society in the one family of God. The immigrant leadership development ministry in the Hispanic community, called Pastoral Migratoria, engages over 200 Hispanic lay leaders (40 Hispanic parishes) in justice and service actions to respond to the needs of their parish communities. Cook and Lake Counties have heavy immigrant concentrations with poverty levels exceeding 30%. Led by the immigrant lay leaders, 204 parishes participated in our 40-Days Plus of Prayer, Fasting & Action for Congress Campaign in 2013 that gained greater congressional support for immigration reform. The leaders organized 18 congressional visits with teams consisting of non-immigrant parishes, sisters and priests. Working in collaboration with the Illinois Secretary of State, this ministry also organized 36 information sessions to support implementation of temporary driver's licenses for undocumented immigrants.

St. Pius V

\$20,000 (*CFCP*)

St. Pius V parish in Chicago will expand its outreach to faith-based organizations, especially Catholic parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago, to create greater awareness about domestic violence, develop ministries, and strengthen a network of churches to assist victims and their children. St. Pius V brings 14 years of experience conducting a comprehensive bilingual domestic violence program and already has spoken in 36 parishes with ministries set up in 25 of them. The project will create and support structures to address the reality that although domestic violence directly affects one in four women in this country, churches rarely address the issue.



St. Pius V

Interfaith Leadership Project

\$15,000 (\$, LDHP)

Interfaith Leadership Project is an institution-based community organization founded in 1989 for Cicero, Berwyn, and Stickney to address poor quality education and overcrowding, gangs and blight, and lack of political accountability from local government. Our mission is to call to collaboration communities of faith and organizations to create positive change in Cicero, Berwyn and Stickney. ILP has worked on a variety of issues related to education, immigration, political corruption and accountability, racial profiling, health insurance, adult education, after school programs, health care, voter mobilization, and census participation. Currently, we are working in the areas of immigration reform, citizenship, civic engagement, Education and Foreclosure Prevention in Cicero, Berwyn and Stickney.

ONE Northside

\$15,000 (\$, LDHP)

Organization Neighborhoods for Equality: Northside (ONE Northside) is a community organization resulting from the merger of Lakeview Action Coalition and Organization of the Northeast and was founded on July 1, 2013. ONE Northside organizes people from over 100 institutions and individuals on the north side of Chicago. Through ONE Northside's Affordable Housing Preservation and Creation project, we seek to preserve affordable housing that exists, develop opportunities for the creation of new affordable units and implement strong policy changes to support and ensure affordability for the future. In the last 3 years the north side has lost over 2,000 units on affordable single room occupancy hotel housing. In the last year, we have developed a leadership team of residents and drafted a preservation ordinance. We are currently in negotiations with the city on this ordinance and they just agreed to a moratorium on SRO conversions.





Parenting for Non-Violence

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\$15,000 (CFCP)

Our mission is to educate, support and empower parents to raise their children in emotionally healthy ways so that their children can thrive personally, socially and academically. We provide parents with the information, skills and principles essential for children to become caring, competent, responsible and resilient. Parents are provided the opportunity to develop leadership skills through additional training. P4NV will develop parent leaders capable of giving voice to the needs of families, parenting education and other important issues that help create a viable pathway for social and economic prosperity in the communities in which they live. Thanks to the generous financial contribution of CCHD, P4NV has provided parenting education to over 135 parents and provided facilitator training to 30 leaders in at-risk communities throughout the Chicagoland area.

Southsiders Organized for Unity and Liberation (SOUL)

\$10,000 (S, OPV)

SOUL is a faith and community based social justice organization on the South Side and South Suburbs dedicated to the belief that all people ought to have decent, affordable housing, access to healthy, nutritious food in every neighborhood, a clean environment so our children will be able to breathe the air and drink the water, public transit that allows us to get to job opportunities, a full employment economy so everyone has the opportunity to work, and living wages so people who work full-time do not remain poor.



Southside Together Organizing for Power

\$10,000 (S, OPV)

The City of Chicago mental health clinics are the safety net for the uninsured and the poor. They serve the most marginalized people of our city – the mentally ill in communities of color. The Mental Health Movement, led by mental health service consumers, supports leadership development and organizing to preserve and expand public mental health services, erase the stigma of mental illness, and build the movement for the human right to healthcare. We aim to preserve the remaining 6 City mental health clinics; develop support committees in churches; grow our leadership; and sustain as a major city wide issue - the need for preserving and expanding mental health services.

Most Blessed Trinity

\$10,000 (S, LDHP)

Most Blessed Trinity parish is located in Waukegan, IL and serves a majority Latino population with 7,000 parishioners attending 12 weekend Masses. In our Fr Gary Graf social service center we advocate for change visiting state and federal officials. With our partners we assist people in applications for citizenship counting over 200 participating yearly. Through generous volunteers we offer open enrollment adult classes in English, GED, computer literacy, and Spanish language literacy. With community partners we connect the families and individuals through referrals for all basic needs. Building our leadership and volunteer pool is a central focus for us to empower each other to be of service in our community.

Blocks Together

\$10,000 (\$, OPV, RR)

BT's mission is to build a grassroots community infrastructure, governed from the bottom up, which provides the resources, leadership development and sustained focused efforts to achieve widespread improvements for the community and advance economic and social justice. We have identified major institutions and systems that have a great impact in our community, and we organize and advocate to challenge and reform them. We are membership driven and have a diverse membership representing all ages who lead the organizations campaigns and initiatives.

Alliance of the Southeast

\$10,000 (\$, CGC, RR)

The Alliance of the SouthEast (ASE) is a multicultural, interfaith alliance of churches, schools, businesses, and community organizations that prioritize grassroots participation to address challenges facing southeast Chicago. The southeast side experiences high poverty levels (21-31%), unemployment (14-17%), crime, and reentry from incarceration. Lakeside Development is the largest new development in the region. It will create over 139,000 jobs, 17 million sq. ft. of retail space, and rental and home ownership opportunities. Development Not Displacement is a campaign that seeks to bring opportunities back into our communities. ASE coordinates a coalition to get a Community Benefits Agreement, a written agreement with the developer to: 1) prioritize jobs, training, & education opportunities for local families, 2) support tax relief for long-time residents, and 3) offer affordable housing & environmental protections.





St. Agnes of Bohemia

\$5,000 (CFCF, QPV, LDHP)

The Imago Dei project from St. Agnes of Bohemia Parish is an arts intervention mentoring program that focuses on youth violence prevention through artistic training and academic development. Our mission is to passionately help flourish the identity of at-risk youth through the arts, mentoring, and the faith by transforming them into agents of change for the community. Through a referral system with local private and public schools we hope to reach the boys (grades 6-8) who are most susceptible towards gang affiliation, while at the same time challenging the structures which foster a cycle of poverty and violence.

Greenlight Movement

\$5,000 (DWRW, RR)

The Green Light Movement (GLM) was formed in November 2009 by recording artist JNAN, to drive our youth (ages 10-24) to achieve success through non-violence, mentoring, financial literacy, entrepreneurship, music, art, and community service. The philosophy is to provide a safe, "youth-centered environment" to cultivate community pride and academic success. The income level for the target communities (Bronzeville, Englewood, North Lawndale, and Greater Grand Crossing) is \$19,350 for a family of four. At least 51% of those benefiting from The Young Entrepreneurs Program (YEP), Entrepreneurship, Mentoring and Financial Literacy program live in the target communities. The YEP was started with three youth and one cart. In 2013, we serviced 250 youth with four carts and allowed one participant to help feed her family when her father fell ill. We mentor youth that have dropped out and assist them with returning to school and graduating. Our latest graduate completed school with 3.5 GPA and will attend TSU in the fall. Currently, we are partnering with Program participants to open a "Youth-driven" daycare, music school, and café.



St. Eulalia

\$5,000 (DWRW, RR)

Mujeres Unidas (Women United) is a four-year project focusing on addressing the issue of unemployed women in the community and the effects that unemployment has on these women (stress, depression, anxiety, self-esteem, and more.) The purpose of Mujeres Unidas is to build upon the talents of the program participants to create future self-sufficient, women owned co-operatives in the food service industry. The program consists of five main components: Skills Development, Language Development, Digital Literacy, Business Management, and Childcare. The purpose of Mujeres Unidas is to work with the women in the community to build upon skills they have learned in their lives and help them create job opportunities for themselves.

The Office for Peace and Justice would like to congratulate Gianna Arnieri, a 7th grader from Holy Family Catholic Academy, on winning the National CCHD Multi-Media Youth Art Contest. Earlier this spring, Gianna participated in the Archdiocese of Chicago CCHD Multi-Media Youth Art Contest, winning 1st place for the 7th-9th grade group of submissions. The Office for Peace and Justice awarded Gianna \$100 as well as 2 Cubs tickets for her outstanding short story, *Walking the Line: A Story of Hardship, Hope, and Empowerment*.

Her story was sent on to the National CCHD Multi-Media Youth Art Contest, where she was named a national winner!

She was awarded the grand prize—\$500 in cash as well as a \$500 gift designated in her name to a CCHD-funded group of her choice—at the National Conference on Catholic Youth Ministry (NCCYM), sponsored by the National Federation

for Catholic Youth Ministry (NFCYM). The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) is sending Gianna and an accompanying adult to attend the awards ceremony in San Antonio, Texas December 4-6, 2014 where approximately 3,000 people will be in attendance. In addition, Gianna's school will receive \$500 from RCL Benziger.

We are so proud of this young artist who has embraced the CCHD mission, using her talent to promote a more just society.

Congratulations Gianna!



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**We pray to Our Lady of Guadalupe for
justice, that those living in poverty will be
comforted and lifted up, and that they will
receive a lasting opportunity to preserve
their human dignity.**

Amen

