

ADDITIONAL VINCENTIAN/ VOICE OF THE POOR RESOURCES

Voice of the Poor



- Use this link to register people for action alerts and updates in VoterVoice: <https://svdpusa.org/take-action>.
- *Starting and Sustaining a Voice of the Poor Committee*
 - **Manual:** members.ssvpusa.org/voice-of-the-poor/training-outreach-and-advocacy-resources/
 - **Webinar:** societyofsaintvincent.adobeconnect.com/pbvp7ic9n50r/
- Position Papers: <https://members.ssvpusa.org/voice-of-the-poor/the-vincentian-position-position-papers/>
- VOP Webinars: <https://members.ssvpusa.org/voice-of-the-poor/voice-of-the-poor-webinars/>

Potential Organizational Collaborators

Building strategic partnerships with aligned organizations is critical to advancing our work. In creating these partnerships, it is important to keep in mind that, above all, we are Catholic. Sometimes organizations have other positions that make it difficult for us to be faithful Catholic partners. We should never collaborate with groups that advocate positions in conflict with Catholic teaching.

Catholic

- Most states have Catholic conferences of bishops, which act as the voice of the Church on state policy issues. Locate your state Catholic conference here: nascgd.org/
- The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is the domestic antipoverty program of the Catholic bishops of the United States. Get connected with CCHD-funded groups in your area here: povertyusa.org
- Many dioceses have social action offices that coordinate activities related to Catholic Social Teaching. Find the contact information for your diocese here: usccb.org/about/bishops-and-dioceses/all-dioceses.cfm

Policy-Based

- The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, a national organization committed to advancing federal policy that fights poverty, hunger, and inequality, has a well-developed network of organizations doing this important work in state capitals. Find your state affiliate here: statepriorities.org/
- The Economic Analysis Research Network (EARN) has state and local partners that support policies that raise wages, protect workers, and reduce poverty: <https://earn.us/directory/>
- The Center for Responsible Lending works to fight payday lending, predatory student loans, discriminatory mortgage lending, and other consumer financial security issues: <https://www.responsiblelending.org/issues>.
- Faith-based community-organizing groups empower people struggling to survive to be voices for change in their communities. See which groups are active in your area:
 - Faith in Action (formerly PICO National Network): faithinaction.org/the-network/
 - Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF): <https://www.industrialareasfoundation.org/affiliates>
 - Gamaliel Foundation: <https://gamaliel.org/affiliate-directory/>
 - Direct Action and research Training (DART): <https://thedartcenter.org/where-we-work/>
- The National Low-Income Housing Coalition has partners that support the quantity and quality of affordable housing: <https://nlihc.org/explore-issues/projects-campaigns/state-partner-project>