

## SELF-DEVELOPMENT OF PEOPLE 2013 GRANTS AND PROGRAMS

### INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS

<b>AFRICA</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>
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Presbyterian Church in Rwanda, Rwanda **\$25,000**

An intermediary partnership supporting agriculture; handicrafts; saving and loan associations; income generating activities; and water supply and electricity projects. The beneficiaries of these projects are from the poorest and undeveloped regions in Rwanda.

<b>ASIA</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>
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**Development Promotion Group (DPG), India** **\$40,000**

This intermediary partner assists primarily women, children and neglected minorities in South India with projects ranging from development to sanitation, housing and education.

<b>LATIN AMERICA/CARIBBEAN</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>
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**Centro de Solidaridad Para el Desarrollo de la Mujer, Inc. (CE-MUJER) – Santo Domingo, DR** **\$40,000**

An intermediary partner committed to improving the quality of life of those living in economically poor communities by assisting in their empowerment through self-management, education, training in technical skills, income generation, health and public politics with influence on both the national and local level.

**Marigold Women's Group, Toledo District, Belize** **\$20,000**

The group has started a local roadside restaurant which creates employment for the members and improves the community.

**Rio Grande Fisherman Cooperative, Punta Gorda, Belize** **\$20,000**

The fisherman cooperative grant was to expand the group facility that would allow them to store sea cucumbers before exporting to China and to have a larger area to clean fish and be able to display for sale to their Punta Gorda customers.

<b>SOUTH AMERICA</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>
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**Regional Ecumenical Center for Consulting and Service, (CREAS), Argentina** **\$40,000**

An intermediary partnership supporting small projects focused on strengthening and nourishing grassroots initiatives.

### DOMESTIC PROJECTS

<b>MIDWEST</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>
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**Chicago L.O.O.P Project, Chicago, IL** **\$20,000**

The grant will enable this cooperative catering business to provide income and growth of the business over time. Group members have designed a project to start a cooperative to earn income and provide fair and equitable working hours and conditions for members.

<b>NORTHEAST</b>	<b>\$226,500</b>
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**Lanvale Towers/Canal Tenant Associations, Baltimore, MD** **\$ 8,500**

The project consists of a High School diploma/G.E.D. and computer literacy program.

**Youth Economic Group, Liberty, NY** **\$20,000**

A bag making cooperative by a group of youth in rural upstate New York that will enable them to learn viable business and leadership skills.

**Mothers for Justice, New Haven, CT** **\$12,000**  
Through conducting face-to-face surveys and producing a video documentary these group members some of whom have experienced homelessness and the extra challenge of locating handicap accessible affordable housing will tell their stories in order to advocate for affordable housing for themselves.

**South Asian Workers Center, Jackson Heights, NY** **\$20,000**  
This is a group of South-Asian low income workers with no sick or vacation time who work 70-80 hours per week with wages well below the state and federal minimum required. This grant will enable them to advocate for their rights and those who work in the retail industry.

**Jovenes 24, Corona, NY** **\$20,000**  
The project is a 12 step, residential, long term drug rehab program for recovering drug addicts who organized to support their own recovery by serving other addicts and helping them stay off drugs. The program has grown and those who have recovered sufficiently have the option of joining the staff.

**Elizabeth Education Organizing Committee, Elizabeth, NJ** **\$20,000**  
This group of concerned immigrant parents and residents of Elizabeth, New Jersey who themselves have experienced inadequate education at Elizabeth schools have come together to advocate for better education for their children in order to improve the economic level of their families and safer communities.

**Workforce (Project Justice for Workers), Central Falls, RI** **\$20,000**  
The grant will assist in the building of leadership skills of workers thereby encouraging them to change the economic condition of poor workers in the state of Rhode Island through standing up for their rights and fighting wage theft. They advocate for immigrant justice, fair compensation and education for themselves and other workers.

**The Street Vendor Project, New York, NY** **\$20,000**  
The grant will assist in the empowerment of this group of organized street vendors who are working together advocating for and protecting their rights to earn a living on the streets of New York City. Their main issues are working with the city to increase the limit on vending permits, more street access, reducing fines and reforming legislation to protect and support vendors in their efforts to make an honest living.

**Movement for Justice in El Barrio, New York, NY** **\$10,000**  
These group members are organizing a campaign that will survey and focus on NYC HPD's failure to enforce the emergency repair program. Failure of enforcement has

resulted in landlords violating the program to attempt illegal displacement and thus deregulation of low to moderate income housing.

**Staley B. Keith Social Justice Center, Holmes, NY** **\$20,000**  
This group of men and women have come together to form the Staley B. Keith Social Justice Center, an organization working to empower young men to resist the marginalization of their communities. Three 12 week training programs are planned and will include self-empowerment, systems change advocacy and mentorship.

**Don Bosco Workers, Inc., Port Chester, NY** **\$18,000**  
The grant will help this grass-roots community organizing program led by low-income workers who are advocating for full and fair participation in the labor force in Port Chester and surrounding areas. The project educates workers about their rights, organizes actions when abuse occurs, seeks to educate community leaders and hopes to change ordinances at the local level and state law to better protect workers' wages.

**Yoruba Fluency Project, Brooklyn, NY** **\$18,000**  
The project is a group of Yoruba and Diaspora young adults who wish to become fluent in the Yoruba language and skilled in Yoruba arts enabling them to reconnect with their ethnic culture and community. Once completed this training will provide skills in language, arts and videography through which they can earn much needed income.

**Baltimore Algebra Project, Inc., Baltimore, MD** **\$20,000**  
The members of the project will raise awareness, encourage discussion and consensus, and call for mass meetings so that the community is prepared to engage with the school system around the issues involved with preserving or replacing the school in ways that meet community needs.

<b>SOUTH</b>	<b>\$85,000</b>
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**Federation of Greene County Employee Federal Credit Union, Eutaw, AL** **\$20,000**  
The project is for the purchase of a building to relocate the Credit Union from a worn-down, inadequate facility not owned by the Credit Union. In addition to SDOP funds, the credit union will supply additional funds to purchase the building. The Credit Union is member-owned and controlled, providing low principle loans and banking business to economically poor residents of one of the poorest counties in Alabama.

**Shuqualak Community Action Group, Shuqualak, MS** **\$ 5,000**  
 The project entails renovations to a recreation center building. This community pulled together over the past forty years to provide a central location for community activities. There is a city code requiring repairs and updates to the bathroom to be handicap accessible.

**Brevard Drop-In Center, Melbourne, FL** **\$20,000**  
 This is a peer to peer developmental project in which participants with mental health challenges will receive appropriate training and as certified recovery peer specialists will in turn provide training to others. The training will help group members gain employment skills thus increasing their independence.

**Attala County Self-Help Cooperative, Inc., Sallis, MS** **\$20,000**  
 The project involves purchasing a tractor with a front-end loader to move chicken manure. Use of chicken manure is an excellent way of improving grass production for cattle and help increase vegetable yield. This equipment will make it easier to handle, transport, load and spread to members pastures and gardens.

**Elaine Community Opportunity Seekers, Elaine, AR** **\$20,000**  
 Elaine is a very poor rural community where residents are seeking economic opportunities through theater production in their community. The group visited a project in Georgia with similar concerns, they were telling their story through a successful theater production. The grant will allow group members to tell their story through theater. The theater will bring the people together in addition to providing an economic boost for Elaine and six other surrounding communities.

<b>WEST</b>	<b>\$177,900</b>
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**Feed Ourselves Project, Pasadena, CA** **\$20,000**  
 These group members will address the problem of poverty and hunger by using hydroponic gardening to grow food for their group members and to sell excess produce to the local community to generate income. Selling the produce will thus help alleviate the persistent problem of poverty and poor health resulting from poor nutrition and low income.

**Low-Income Families' Empowerment through Education, Oakland, CA** **\$20,000**  
 This is a project that seeks to invest in the leadership development of LIFETIME members and children in the State CALWORKS welfare-to work program and to increase involvement in policymaking processes that affect its members in decisions of the budget process.

**An English Acquisition and Human Rights Project, Blackfoot, ID** **\$18,900**  
 The grant will help this group of Latino and Haitian Immigrants want social justice in order to address the issues of prejudice, economic oppression and labor exploitation that impact them by enabling group members to form a strong community group that provides information on labor rights.

**Zenyu, Seattle, WA** **\$20,000**  
 This multicultural organization will be able to continue offering a safe environment for people of color dealing with issues of rape and violence against women to heal through this grant. The project provides health and exercise programs, including weekend retreats and hiking trips in addition to monthly meetings. Zenyu was created to mitigate higher rates of mental health issues, abuse of tobacco, alcohol and drug use, obesity and lack of access to health care in their community.

**Brillo Cleaning Services, Pasadena, CA** **\$20,000**  
 The grant will help support this group of primarily Latina women as they establish a cleaning cooperative for residential and commercial buildings in Pasadena, CA.

**Community Preparatory School (CPS)/Community Advisory Committee, San Diego, CA** **\$20,000**  
 A local multicultural, multigenerational group in which economically poor and diverse families work in the local community garden to conserve water as they prepare for planting, growing and processing food. They share the produce with all community residents.

**Community for Change of the Low-income, Self-Help Center, San Jose, CA** **\$20,000**  
 These group members are organizing around issues of basic economic human rights in the economically polarized Silicon Valley by telling their own stories in a creative way and encouraging others to do so who are fighting for dignity. The storytelling is communicated through an "Economic Human Right Quilt" in which individually crafted quilt squares will be narrated and documented.

**Wilmington Community Garden, Wilmington, CA** **\$19,000**  
 The grant will assist a resident-owned and driven effort to address health concerns arising from the food desert in urban Wilmington. The beautiful garden was begun in June 2012 and is extremely well-tended except only about 25% of the raised beds are properly gardened. Group members plan to increase the garden's agricultural capacity.

**Preschool without Walls, Wilmington, CA** **\$20,000**  
 This is a project where parents are actual teachers modeling positive and respectful interactions with the children. The parents work with South Bay Counseling Center to receive training, technical support and resources.

## 2013 SYNOD AND PRESBYTERY PROJECTS

<b>SYNOD OF THE COVENANT</b>	<b>\$83,808.70</b>
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### Synod of the Covenant

Maggie's Farm/Farm Stand & Farm Expenses	\$ 5,000
Brothers United Creating Change	\$ 5,000
DIME/Seed Money for Capacity Bldg	\$10,000
United We Are More	\$10,000
Outdoor Beautification Business Development	<u>\$ 5,480</u>
TOTAL	\$35,480

### Detroit Presbytery

Oakland Avenue Farmers Market	\$5,000
New Work Field Street Collective	<u>\$5,000</u>
TOTAL	\$10,000

### Eastminster Presbytery

Train the Trainer Project for Fathers & Sons of Akron	\$2,500
The Infinite Legacy Project	\$4,454
Administrative Expenses	<u>\$ 772.70</u>
TOTAL	\$7,726.70

### Lake Michigan Presbytery

Fresh Start Children's Garden	\$3,618
Youth Entrepreneur Program	\$6,000
Hot Dogs in the Park	\$2,850
Administrative Expenses	<u>\$1,509</u>
TOTAL	\$13,977

### Scioto Valley Presbytery

Broken, Bold and Blessed Ministries	<u>\$10,762</u>
TOTAL	\$10,762

### Western Reserve Presbytery

City Rising Farm	\$3,000
D.I.M.E. (Diversity & Inclusion for Minority Enterprises)	<u>\$2,863</u>
TOTAL	\$5,863

<b>SYNOD OF LAKES AND PRAIRIES</b>	<b>\$ 73,105</b>
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### Synod of Lakes and Prairies

Anuak HOPE	\$10,000
Dakota Orators Project	\$20,000
Worker Identification Card	<u>\$15,000</u>
TOTAL	\$45,000

### Minnesota Valleys Presbytery

Administrative Expenses	\$ 200
Jwok-Kynynyo Anuak Christian Fellowship	<u>\$5,451</u>
TOTAL	\$5,651

### Northern Plains Presbytery

Kurdish Community of America	<u>\$3,167</u>
TOTAL	\$3,167

### Twin Cities Area Presbytery

Bountiful Growers	\$ 6,090
The Aliveness Project	\$ 8,700
Empowerment Sewing Project	<u>\$ 4,497</u>
TOTAL	\$19,287

<b>SYNOD OF LINCOLN TRAILS</b>	<b>\$23,500</b>
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### Chicago Presbytery

Bridge to Freedom	\$5,000
Check the Violence and start the Chess	\$ 500
Here's to Your Health/Wellness Ed	\$5,000
LPCS Graduate Council	\$2,500
Reviving Restoring Reupholstering Furniture & Lives	\$ 500
Technology and Job Readiness	\$5,000
Veterans Helping Veterans	<u>\$5,000</u>
TOTAL	\$23,500

<b>SYNOD OF LIVING WATERS</b>	<b>\$6,359</b>
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**Sheppards & Lapsley Presbytery**

Youth Making A Difference	\$4,359
Learn & Serve Camden Comm Youth Development Center	<u>\$2,000</u>
TOTAL	\$6,359

<b>SYNOD OF THE MID-ATLANTIC</b>	<b>\$32,837</b>
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**Baltimore Presbytery**

Keep our Heritage at Lake Clifton	\$ 800
Free Your Voice	\$5,000
No Boundaries Coalition	<u>\$6,000</u>
TOTAL	\$11,800

**Charlotte Presbytery**

Ladihood	<u>\$ 4,500</u>
TOTAL	\$ 4,500

**James Presbytery**

Elevated Imagination Life Center	\$3,700
Elevated Imagination Life Center	<u>\$7,837</u>
TOTAL	\$11,537

**New Hope Presbytery**

Camp Covenant	<u>\$ 5,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 5,000

<b>SYNOD OF THE NORTHEAST</b>	<b>\$40,532</b>
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**Albany Presbytery**

Breaking the Cycle	\$3,500
Schenectady Youth as Tomorrow's Leaders	<u>\$3,500</u>
TOTAL	\$7,000

**Elizabeth Presbytery**

Growing Parent Power for Change	\$2,582
Roselle Collaborative for Youth & Families	<u>\$6,000</u>
TOTAL	\$8,582

**Genesee Valley Presbytery**

Conkey Cruisers Free Neighbd Bicycling to Better Health	<u>\$5,550</u>
Intern to Employee Model of Coffee Connection	<u>\$2,500</u>
TOTAL	\$8,050

**Hudson River Presbytery**

Newburgh Housing is a Human Rights Campaign	<u>\$8,900</u>
TOTAL	\$8,900

**Long Island Presbytery**

SEPA Mujer	<u>\$8,000</u>
TOTAL	\$8,000

<b>SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC</b>	<b>\$17,000</b>
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**Cascades Presbytery**

Y Computer Lab & Learning Center	<u>\$10,000</u>
TOTAL	\$10,000

**Presbytery of San Francisco, Redwoods & San Jose**

Taking it to the Streets – Youth Spirit Artworks (YSA)	<u>\$ 7,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 7,000

<b>SYNOD OF SOUTH ATLANTIC</b>	<b>\$15,924</b>
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**Central Florida Presbytery**

Drop-in Center, Inc. TV Room, Bathroom Add & Rebuild	<u>\$8,000</u>
TOTAL	\$8,000

**Charleston-Atlantic Presbytery**

Core Computer Center & Literacy Program	<u>\$3,924</u>
TOTAL	\$3,924

**Providence Presbytery**

English as a Second Language	<u>\$4,000</u>
TOTAL	\$4,000

<b>SYNOD OF SO. CALIFORNIA &amp; HAWAII</b>	<b>\$9, 983</b>
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**Pacific Presbytery**

Critical Mass Dance Company (CMDCC)	<u>\$9,983</u>
TOTAL	\$9,983

<b>SYNOD OF THE TRINITY</b>	<b>\$119,736.70</b>
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**Synod of the Trinity**

EnVoi Boutique Consignment & Image Center	\$20,500
Microenterprise Self-Development Business Incubator	\$35,500
Administrative Expenses	<u>\$ 6,576</u>
TOTAL	\$62,576

**Donegal Presbytery**

Soccer for Kids of Tomorrow Program	<u>\$10,000</u>
TOTAL	\$10,000

**Philadelphia Presbytery**

G-L.A.W. Foundation	\$15,000
“Our Health Our Lives”	<u>\$14,716</u>
TOTAL	\$29,716

**Pittsburgh Presbytery**

Living Well Homecare Solutions	\$ 6,500
Women Microenterprise Incubation Project	\$ 6,500
Administrative Expenses	<u>\$ 1,444.70</u>
TOTAL	\$14,444.70

**Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery**

Ms. Debbie Miller’s Laughlin Chapel Girl’s Club	<u>\$3, 000</u>
Total	\$3,000