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10,000 Villages	<a href="http://www.TenThousandVillages.com">www.TenThousandVillages.com</a>	Retail	Fair Trade	Since 1946 Ten Thousand Villages has supported the work of literally tens of thousands of artisans in over 30 countries in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East, making us one the largest fair trade organizations in North America...a founding member of the International Fair Trade Association, an organization that includes over 200 members in 55 countries, including many artisan groups in developing countries. We are part of a worldwide movement that is striving to improve the livelihood of disadvantaged people in developing countries through the expansion of fair trade.
8th Day Center for Justice	<a href="http://www.8thDayCenter.org">www.8thDayCenter.org</a>	Global	Environment	A Catholic Faith Based NGO for Social Change. The Spirituality of justice calls the staff of the 8th Day Center to envision a world of right relationships in which all creation is seen as sacred and interconnected. In such a world all people are equal and free from oppression, have a right to a just distribution of resources, and to live in harmony with the cosmos.
Alternative Farming Systems Information Center	<a href="http://www.NAL.USDA.GOV./afsic/index.html">www.NAL.USDA.GOV./afsic/index.html</a>	National	Environment	the Alternative Farming Systems Information Center (AFSIC) at the National Agricultural Library (NAL). We specialize in identifying and accessing information related to alternative agricultural enterprises and crops as well as alternative cropping systems. AFSIC is supported, in part, by USDA's Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) program, and a cooperative agreement with the University of Maryland, College Park,
Bread for the World	<a href="http://www.Bread.org">www.Bread.org</a>	International	Hunger	Bread for the World Institute collects facts on domestic and global hunger. It also generates answers to frequently asked questions about hunger. Or you can learn about what issues Bread for the World members are working on right now to bring an end to hunger in the U.S. and around the world.
Call to Renewal	<a href="http://www.CallToRenewal.org">www.CallToRenewal.org</a>	National	Poverty	A national network of churches, faith-based organizations, and individuals working to overcome poverty in America. Through local and national partnerships with groups from across the theological and political spectrum, we convene the broadest table of Christians focused on anti-poverty efforts.
Catholic Commission of Lake and Geauga County	<a href="http://www.csnmail.net/~cclq/cclq.htm">http://www.csnmail.net/~cclq/cclq.htm</a>	Local	Umbrella	LAKE & Geauga office through Diocese & Catholic Charities...
Catholic Health Association, The	<a href="http://www.chausa.org">www.chausa.org</a>	National	Healthcare	founded in 1915 in Milwaukee, WI, as the "Catholic Hospital Association" by a small group of forward-thinking Catholic hospitals in the upper midwest. CHA relocated its headquarters to St. Louis in 1947, where it remains, and also continues to operate an advocacy group in Washington, DC, which it opened in 1976. CHA remains dedicated to serving the nation's Catholic health care organizations and supporting the strategic directions of mission, ethics, and advocacy.
Catholic Medical Mission Board	<a href="http://www.CMMB.org">www.CMMB.org</a>	Global	Healthcare	the leading U.S.-based Catholic-charity focusing exclusively on global healthcare, particularly the well-being of women and children
Catholic Peace Fellowship	<a href="http://www.CatholicPeaceFellowship.org">www.CatholicPeaceFellowship.org</a>	Global	Peace	Help raise a mighty league of conscientious objectors! Our resources are few, but with your help, CPF can keep reaching out to soldiers and students, sharing the Church's tradition of peace. And just think how much is being spent to "share" the tradition of war...
Catholic Relief Services	<a href="http://www.CatholicRelief.org">www.CatholicRelief.org</a>	National	Umbrella	Working through local offices and an extensive network of partners, CRS operates on 5 continents and in over 90 countries. We aid the poor by first providing direct assistance where needed, then encouraging these people to help with their own development. Together, this fosters secure, productive, just communities that enable people to realize their potential.
Catholic Worker	<a href="http://www.CatholicWorker.org">www.CatholicWorker.org</a>			
Center of Concern	<a href="http://www.COC.org">www.COC.org</a>	Global	Umbrella	For over thirty years, the Center of Concern has been enabling individuals, organizations and coalitions: To explore and analyze the global issues and social structures from an ethical perspective based on Catholic Social Teaching; To become involved in strategies and projects that promote the good of the entire global community and the integrity of every individual.
Collected Writings on Nonviolence by FDr. John Dear	<a href="http://www.FatherJohnDear.org">www.FatherJohnDear.org</a>	Global	Peace	Rev. John Dear S.J. is a Jesuit Priest, Peace Activist, Organizer, Lecturer, Retreat leader, and author/editor of 20 books on peace and nonviolence, including Living Peace
Consistent Life dot org	<a href="http://www.Consistent-Life.org">www.Consistent-Life.org</a>	Global	Umbrella	We are committed to the protection of life, which is threatened in today's world by war, abortion, poverty, racism, capital punishment and euthanasia. We believe that these issues are linked under a 'consistent ethic of life'. We challenge those working on all or some of these issues to maintain a cooperative spirit of peace, reconciliation, and respect in protecting the unprotected

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Crown Point Centre	<a href="http://www.CrownPt.org">www.CrownPt.org</a>	Local (Bath, Ohio)	Environment	The mission is to reconnect humans to the sacredness of the Earth while challenging society to live with simplicity and mindfulness. Crown Point promotes four main principles: sustainability, community, spirituality and justice. These principles are demonstrated through two main program areas: youth education programs and a 10 acre organic farm. Though grounded in the Catholic Dominican tradition, Crown Point's programs do not contain religious content but focus on helping participants to understand the basic processes of Earth.
Diocesan Social Action Office (Cleveland)	<a href="http://www.Catholic-Action.org">www.Catholic-Action.org</a>	Local	Umbrella	The Social Action Office of the Diocese of Cleveland seeks to shape a more caring society and a more peaceful world through justice education, advocacy, community development and organizing. Our work is based on the call of the Gospel to work for the elimination of poverty, to speak out against injustice, and to promote the common good.
Doctors Without Borders	<a href="http://www.DoctorsWithoutBorders.org">www.DoctorsWithoutBorders.org</a>	International	Healthcare	an international independent medical humanitarian organization that delivers emergency aid to people affected by armed conflict, epidemics, natural or man-made disasters, or exclusion from health care in more than 70 countries
East Side Organizing Project	<a href="http://www.ESOP-Cleveland.org">www.ESOP-Cleveland.org</a>	Local	Empowerment	founded in 1993 to create organized leadership around issues that impact neighborhood life in Cleveland. ESOP works with community residents, schools, businesses, churches and other neighborhood institutions to identify issues, and take actions that create safe, economically strong and stable communities for all residents. Decisions about strategy and organizational direction are made by ESOP members, because the organization firmly believes the people most impacted by community issues are in the best position to create and implement solutions
Equal Exchange	<a href="http://www.EqualExchange.com">www.EqualExchange.com</a>	Global	Fair Trade	
Esperanza Threads	<a href="http://www.EsperanzaThreads.com">www.EsperanzaThreads.com</a>	Local	Retail	Retail on-line project of the Grassroots Coalition for Economic and Environmental Justice of Ohio. It is a democratically operated cooperative that employs low-income individuals for manufacturing organic cotton clothing in Bedford, OH. Our goal is to provide jobs fair wages in our cooperative
Glenmary Home Missioners Greater Clevelanders Together Overcoming Poverty	<a href="http://www.Glenmary.org">www.Glenmary.org</a>	National	Umbrella	Our Mission: To establish the Catholic Church in small-town and rural America. glenmary.org/menus/how_serve/how_justice.htm Specific efforts
Habitat for Humanity	<a href="http://www.Habitat.org">www.Habitat.org</a>	National	Homelessness	a nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry. HFHI seeks to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness from the world, and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action.
Heifer Project International	<a href="http://www.Heifer.org">www.Heifer.org</a>	International	Hunger / Poverty	Heifer's mission is... To work with communities to end hunger and poverty and to care for the earth. Heifer's strategy is... To "pass on the gift." As people share their animals' offspring with others – along with their knowledge, resources, and skills – an expanding network of hope, dignity, and self-reliance is created that reaches around the globe
Henri Nouwen	<a href="http://www.HenriNouwen.org">www.HenriNouwen.org</a>	Global	Spiritual	Henri Nouwen spent his life helping people respond to the universal "yearning for love, unity, and communion that doesn't go away". Is it possible to touch and taste the love of God? How can we live a spiritual life that embraces the pain and suffering of our lives and in the world, and gives us the freedom to love deeply wherever we are? Join us in this way of the heart!
Human Rights Watch	<a href="http://www.HRW.org">www.HRW.org</a>	International	Human Rights	Human Rights Watch is dedicated to protecting the human rights of people around the world. We stand with victims and activists to prevent discrimination, to uphold political freedom, to protect people from inhumane conduct in wartime, and to bring offenders to justice. We investigate and expose human rights violations and hold abusers accountable. We challenge governments and those who hold power to end abusive practices and respect international human rights law. We enlist the public and the international community to support the cause of human rights for all.
International Partners in Mission	<a href="http://www.IPM-Connections.org">www.IPM-Connections.org</a>	International	Empowerment	an inter-faith organization fostering justice, peace and hope around the world by developing partnerships that promote community building, health and environmental justice, especially through the empowerment of women, children and youth.
InterReligious Task Force on Central America	<a href="http://www.IRTFCleveland.org">www.IRTFCleveland.org</a>	International	Peace	a Cleveland-based interfaith group that promotes peace and human rights in Central America and Colombia. People of faith and conscience founded IRTF after the 1980 execution of four U.S. church women in El Salvador by U.S.-trained soldiers. (The Cleveland mission team lost Jean Donovan and Sister Dorothy Kazel.)
Just Peace	<a href="http://www.JustPeace.org">www.JustPeace.org</a>	Global	Peace	<b>WARNING:</b> The study, practice, and spirituality of Catholic social justice teachings may be hazardous to your hard-heartedness, complacency, skepticism, indifference, and hubris. Proceed at your own risk!   Those who shut their ears to the cry of the poor will themselves also call and not be heard. Proverbs 21:13   You are the God of the lowly, the helper of the oppressed, the supporter of the weak, the protector of the forsaken, the savior of those without hope. Judith 9:11

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JustFaith / JusticeWalking	<a href="http://www.JustFaith.org">www.JustFaith.org</a>	National	Education	provides an opportunity for members of your parish to study the Church's commitment to the poor and vulnerable in a lively, challenging, multi-faceted process that is experienced in the context of a small community of faith. In less than three years, JustFaith has established itself as a highly respected and successful model of justice formation, evangelization and conversion. JusticeWalking (J-Walking) is a 9-month experiential process that brings adults and Catholic teenagers into small communities to experiment with living the Gospel message and the practical implications of Catholic social teaching.
Leadership Conference of Women Religious	<a href="http://www.LCWR.org">www.LCWR.org</a>	Global	Umbrella	Working for a more just and peaceful world is an integral component of LCWR's vision and goals. While many member congregations are actively engaged in efforts promoting social, economic, and earth justice, LCWR provides opportunities for addressing issues of concern with a corporate voice by taking action on resolutions approved at the national assembly.
Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns	<a href="http://www.Maryknoll.org">www.Maryknoll.org</a>	Global	Umbrella	Follow the links to the Office for Global Concerns represents all three Maryknoll entities in their work for justice and peace. Our mission is carried out through education and advocacy in consultation with Maryknollers around the world and in cooperation with other Maryknoll departments and entities, including Maryknoll Affiliates
Network	<a href="http://www.NetworkLobby.org">www.NetworkLobby.org</a>	National	Umbrella	A National Catholic Social Justice Lobby, is a progressive voice within the Catholic community calling for peace and economic justice in our nation and the world
New Life Community		Local	Empowerment	216.751.7301 Provides a transitional housing program for homeless and jobless families in the Greater Cleveland area. Our four-month, intensive empowerment-style curriculum teaches residents the skills they need to achieve long-term financial independence and security for their families: job search and job readiness, money management and budgeting, health and safety, decision making, time management, academics and parenting.
Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless	<a href="http://www.NEOCH.org">www.NEOCH.org</a>	Local	Homelessness	The mission of the Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless is to organize and empower homeless and at-risk men, women and children to break the cycle of poverty through public education, advocacy and the creation of nurturing environments.
Oxfam International	<a href="http://www.Oxfam.org">www.Oxfam.org</a>	Global	Poverty	an international confederation, comprised of 12 independent non-government organizations dedicated to fighting poverty and related injustice around the world. Our mission is a just world without poverty and our goal is to enable people to exercise their rights and manage their own lives.
Pax Christi	<a href="http://www.PaxChristiUSA.org">www.PaxChristiUSA.org</a>	International	Peace	commits itself to peace education and, with the help of its bishop members, promotes the gospel imperative of peacemaking as a priority in the Catholic Church in the United States. Through the efforts of all its members and in cooperation with other groups, Pax Christi USA works toward a more peaceful, just, and sustainable world
St. Paul / Minneapolis Diocese	<a href="http://www.osispm.org">www.osispm.org</a>	International		Homepage for the Social Justice office for this archdiocese. Among the links:
St. Paul / Minneapolis Diocese Catholic Social Teaching	<a href="http://www.osispm.org/cst/doclist.htm">www.osispm.org/cst/doclist.htm</a>			A complete listing with links to every major document on SJ from the Vatican & USCCB
St. Paul / Minneapolis Diocese Social Justice Issues	<a href="http://www.osispm.org/issues.htm">www.osispm.org/issues.htm</a>			Current issues & Lots of links
USCCB: A Place at the Table	<a href="http://www.usccb.org/sdwp/placeatthetable">www.usccb.org/sdwp/placeatthetable</a>		Hunger	
USCCB: Catholic Campaign for Human Development	<a href="http://www.USCCB.org/cchd">www.USCCB.org/cchd</a>	International	Umbrella	
USCCB: Catholic Coalition Against Human Trafficking	<a href="http://www.usccb.org/mrs/traffickingweb3.shtml">www.usccb.org/mrs/traffickingweb3.shtml</a>			consists of national and international Catholic agencies working to eliminate the scourge of human trafficking
USCCB: Dept. of Social Development & World Peace	<a href="http://www.usccb.org/sdwp/">www.usccb.org/sdwp/</a>			
USCCB: Office of Migration and Refugee Services	<a href="http://www.USCCB.org/MRS">www.USCCB.org/MRS</a>			
USCCB: Poverty USA	<a href="http://www.PovertyUSA.org">www.PovertyUSA.org</a>	National	Poverty	Find out the facts about poverty in America. Find out about what organizations, communities, and individuals are doing. Discover inspiring stories of success in Portraits of Hope. Most important, find out how you can help.
Woodstock Theological Center	<a href="http://www.Georgetown.edu/centers/woodstock">www.Georgetown.edu/centers/woodstock</a>	Global	Umbrella	The Woodstock Theological Center is an independent nonprofit institute at Georgetown University that engages in theological and ethical reflection on topics of social, economic, business, scientific, cultural, religious, and political importance