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Religious Communities Impact Fund

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With support from the
**Conrad N. Hilton
Foundation,**
RCIF is seeking social
enterprises sponsored by
Catholic sisters, which
can benefit from
affordable loans to grow
and increase impact.



Conrad N. Hilton Foundation Grant

- ▶ **Use of Funds:** To make affordable loans to nonprofits and social enterprises in specific geographic areas.
- ▶ **Target areas:** Los Angeles/Southern California; Chicago; St. Louis; Selma, Alabama; colonias along the US/Mexico border; Mexico; and Haiti.
- ▶ The organizations ideally will be led by sisters or affiliated with sisters and governed primarily by women.

The social enterprises must:

- ▶ Primarily serve low-income women and children.
- ▶ Demonstrate an ability to repay the loan by having earned income.

Examples of eligible activities include providing affordable housing, small business financing, financial literacy, childcare, education, healthcare, regenerative farming, and access to healthy foods.



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Going where spirit calls us!

2023 was RCIF's 15th anniversary!

- ▶ Continuing the ministry and honoring the legacy of the Women Religious' pioneering commitment to community investing.
- ▶ Making new investments in organizations led by women and people of color for social justice and care of the earth.

Mission

RCIF is a collaborative effort of Catholic Women's Religious Congregations who believe, as Gospel people, that they are called to use their financial resources as a ministry to assist in overcoming social and environmental inequities.

Purpose

RCIF is a portfolio of debt and equity investments in projects consistent with the Gospel mission of economic justice for all. Investments benefit the economically poor; especially women and children and racially oppressed peoples, concentrating on those who are unserved or poorly served through traditional financial sources.