

## INTRODUCTION

Below is a list of groups, many of whom I have worked with—Utah-based, U.S.-based, and/or globally-based. This list provides the most complete inventory of humanitarian organizations that have either an economic development or Latter-day Saint focus—or both.

These organizations have been divided into four different categories. The assignment of organizations to these categories is based on a fairly rough, but not precise, scale of differentiation.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITH A LATTER-DAY SAINT CONNECTION

### *Requirements*

The organizations listed below have both an economic development and a Latter-day Saint involvement. In order to qualify for the economic development component, organizations should be working at least in some part, with micro-financing, cooperatives, or business training. Likewise, in order to qualify for the Latter-day Saint component, organizations should have an LDS connection with either the provision of aid or the receiving of aid.

### *Organizations*

#### **Academy for Creating Enterprise**

1095 Mountain Ridge Rd.  
Provo, UT 84604  
[www.creatingenterprise.com](http://www.creatingenterprise.com)

contact: [ace@creatingenterprise.com](mailto:ace@creatingenterprise.com)

The Academy for Creating Enterprise is a nonprofit educational training center designed to teach Filipino returned missionaries skills that will enable them to become self-reliant by starting and growing small businesses in the Philippines. Although it is organized by members of the LDS Church, it is not Church-sponsored. The Academy's purpose is to help build up the income-earning capabilities of Filipino returned missionaries so they can financially strengthen their families in the provinces and become self-reliant and in so doing, it is an opportunity to contribute to the grass-roots development of the economy of the Philippines.

#### **Acción Contra la Pobreza**

615 South State Street  
Orem, UT 84058

(801) 932-2404  
(801) 932-2406 (fax)  
contact: [acp@unitus.com](mailto:acp@unitus.com)

Acción Contra la Pobreza, translating as “Action Against Poverty” is also called the ACP program. It is a microcredit model that has grown out of the experience of BYU students working with HELP International. The ACP methodology of microlending specifically caters to the needs of the poorest of the poor. This program provides loans to groups of five to nine women year-round in Tegucigalpa, the capital city of Honduras.

#### **Center for Economic Self-Reliance**

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The mission of the Center for Economic Self-Reliance was established in 2003 as a culmination of 15 years of work by Warner Woodworth, students, and several other faculty and staff at BYU to bring practitioners, scholars, and the community together to help families throughout the world become economically self-reliant. It accomplishes this through innovative action research and application. BYU has a tradition of scholarship in several important aspects of family economic self-reliance. The Self-Reliance Center brings together scholars and students from many fields to advance the understanding of theories and methodologies that can improve economic conditions for families. Some of the fields include microenterprise, education, business development, literacy, social entrepreneurship, personal finance, nutrition, appropriate technology, financial services, law, corporate citizenship, health, spirituality, and organizational effectiveness.

### **Chasqui Humanitarian**

6925 Union Park Center, Suite 600  
Midvale, UT 84047  
www.chasqui.org

(801) 256-3883  
(801) 256-3337 (fax)  
contact: info@chasqui.org

Chasqui Humanitarian is a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation based in Salt Lake City, Utah. Working in Peru and Bolivia, the Foundation works with local civic and church leaders through projects that will empower them to acquire for themselves what they need, and even want, so that they will raise their own standard of living and have a more fulfilling life. With a variety of projects, volunteers work in several areas including education, health, hygiene, housing, water, family gardens, agri-industry, small enterprises, micro credit, job & vocational training, and English & computer classes.

### **CHOICE (Center for Humanitarian Outreach and Intercultural Exchange)**

1937 South 300 West, Suite 110  
Salt Lake City, UT 84115  
www.choice.humanitarian.org

(801) 474-1937  
(801) 474-1919 (fax)  
contact: info@choice.humanitarian.org

Organized out of the Andean Children's Foundation in 1988, CHOICE is a nonprofit, nonsectarian (though principally LDS in membership) organizations which sponsors "volunteer expeditions" in which families, organizations, groups of associates, or singles (trained or previously untrained) "work side by side with the rural poor to develop projects which the villagers request and will be able to sustain after the expedition departs." CHOICE volunteers have worked with water supply systems, greenhouses, schools & literacy, and have provided health & medical assistance.

### **Enterprise Mentors International**

16100 Chesterfield Parkway West, Suite 395  
Chesterfield, MO 63017  
www.enterprise-mentors.org

(636) 537-9222  
(636) 537-4652 (fax)  
contact: mailbox@enterprise-mentors.org

Founded in 1990 by a mostly LDS group of individuals, Enterprise Mentors is a human development foundation designed "to build self-reliance and entrepreneurial spirit within those who struggle for sufficiency in developing countries." Working first in the Philippines and now expanding to Latin America, Enterprise Mentors establishes local boards of directors and indigenous staff, building increased self-reliance. Efforts are made to charge for consulting services based upon ability to pay, transforming the donor-receiver dependency relationship into a character building, consultant-client relationship. A nonprofit, tax-exempt organization, Enterprise Mentors depends on individual, foundation, and corporate donations to achieve its goals. Primary interventions include training, consulting, walk-in services, professional referrals, and access to microcredit loans.

### **Fundacion Dignidad**

Oriente 176 No. 220  
Col. Moctezuma 2a Seccion  
Deleg. V. Carranza, Mexico, D.F.C.P 15530

011-525-571-68-04  
contact: dignidad@laneta.apc.org

This is the partner NGO of Enterprise Mentors in Mexico, providing training, consulting, and microloans to the poor.

### **Grameen Support Group**

270 HRCB, Brigham Young University  
Provo, UT 84602

(801) 378-3548  
(801) 378-7075 (fax)  
contact: [grameensupport@byu.edu](mailto:grameensupport@byu.edu)

The first campus-affiliated Grameen support organization in the world, Grameen Support Group's purposes include educating the university and larger community about microcredit, raising funds to support microlending, informing students and faculty about Third World needs, and translating Grameen materials into various languages, especially for use in Latin America.

### **HELP International**

363 North University Avenue  
Provo, UT 84601  
[www.help-international.org](http://www.help-international.org)

(801) 374-0567  
(801) 374-0457 (fax)  
contact: [info@help-international.org](mailto:info@help-international.org)

In 1999, in the aftermath of Hurricane Mitch, students and faculty of Brigham Young University developed HELP International. The mission of HELP is to assist the poor of the Third World to improve their quality of life while developing competent student and community leaders for tomorrow's continued fight against poverty. By working in conjunction with other NGOs and microfinance institutions, HELP provides students a hands-on experience working with microenterprise training, square-foot gardening, etc. Volunteers are also given the opportunity to create, implement, and sustain their own humanitarian service projects, microcredit programs, and other development projects in the Third World.

### **Katalysis North/South Development Partnership**

1331 North Commerce St.  
Stockton, CA 95202  
[www.katalysis.org](http://www.katalysis.org)

(209) 943-6165  
(209) 943-7046 (fax)  
contact: [jrgontard@katalysis.org](mailto:jrgontard@katalysis.org) or [katalysis2@aol.com](mailto:katalysis2@aol.com)

"Katalysis was founded in 1984 and helped pioneer the microcredit model of economic development: the 'Bootstrap Banking' model that the organization still practices today. Instead of offering handouts that increase dependency and yield short-term results, Katalysis nurtures sustainable self-help enterprises, providing microloans and training to small businesspeople who already have tiny businesses, but lack the resources to make them profitable and sustainable -- thereby building self-sufficiency and self-confidence."

### **LDS Church Welfare Department** (The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints)

50 East North Temple St. 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Salt Lake City, UT 84150

(801) 240-3001  
(801) 240-1417 (fax)

Provides temporal relief to Latter-day Saints and others around the globe, including food, clothing, and medical supplies in response to natural disasters, civil wars, and other emergencies. The LDS Welfare Department also operates farms, canneries, distribution centers, and employment services, primarily in the United States.

### **LDS Charities / LDS Humanitarian Services**

50 East North Temple St., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Salt Lake City, UT 84150

(801) 240-1201  
(801) 240-1964 (fax)  
contact: [lds-charities@ldschurch.org](mailto:lds-charities@ldschurch.org)

As an outreach effort of the LDS Church, Humanitarian Services and LDS Charities are heavily involved in providing aid and technical assistance to both non-LDS and LDS needy, especially internationally. Often working in conjunction with other NGOs, this organization has helped channel relief to crisis areas such as Ethiopia, Somalia, Rwanda, and Kosovo, as well as supporting grassroots development projects in Central American and elsewhere.

### **Mentores Empresariales**

6 Ave. 13-43 Zona 9  
Guatemala City, Guatemala 01009

011-502-332-2678  
011-502-332-1902 (fax)

contact: mentores@inteln.net.gt

Affiliated foundation of Enterprise Mentors in Guatemala, it provides training, consulting, and micro-loans to the poor.

### **Mindanao Enterprise Development Foundation**

Room 7, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Vega Quitain Bldg., Anda Street  
Davao City, Philippines 8,000

011-63-82-221-0910  
contact: medf@interasia.com.ph

Affiliated foundation of Enterprise Mentors in the southern islands of the Philippines, it provides training, consulting, and micro-loans to the poor.

### **Ouelessebougou-Utah Alliance**

10 West 100 South, Suite 605  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101  
www.sistercommunity.org

(801) 983-MALI (6254)  
contact: info@sistercommunity.org

The Alliance was begun in 1985 to develop a long-term relationship with a group of villages in Mali, a West African country. The Alliance undertakes projects requested by the villagers, who define their own needs, contribute labor to projects, and provide their own leadership. Projects include constructing wells, fencing gardens, providing basic health care training, teaching literacy, and establishing a village bank, microenterprises and producer cooperatives.

### **Philippines Enterprise Development Foundation**

791-CF Manalo St.  
Barangay Bambang  
Pasig City  
Metro Manila, Philippines 1600

011-63-2-642-3895  
011-63-2-641-2207 (fax)  
contact: pedf@compass.com.ph

First overseas partner of Enterprise Mentors, PEDF is engaged in small business formation, job creation, microcredit services, and technical assistance to cooperatives.

### **Russian Enterprise Development, Inc. (REDI)**

2602 East 6200 South  
Salt Lake City, UT 84121

(801) 227-1130  
(801) 278-4959 (fax)

REDI is a nonprofit charitable organization established in the 1990s to assist in the development of small employee-owned enterprises in the Russian Republic and Baltic region, beginning in the city of St. Petersburg. The two primary purposes of REDI are to provide affordable business management consultation and training, and to offer access to credit to entrepreneurial groups seeking to start or improve small enterprises.

### **UNITUS**

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Redmond, WA 98073 USA  
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425-881-2264 or 1-888-2UNITUS  
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contact: info@unitus.com

To address the challenges facing existing microfinance institutions (MFIs), Unitus has developed a new way of accelerating the growth of carefully selected MFIs. As a global microfinance accelerator, Unitus provides the necessary high-impact capital funding and strategic organizational capacity-building consulting to the highest potential MFIs in developing countries. Unitus' innovative approach vastly increases the number of loans an existing MFI can make to the working poor and empowers significantly more families to work their way out of poverty.

Unitus' research indicates that a few small, yet successful MFIs are capable of highly accelerated growth – often to the point of serving 100,000 borrowers or more. As such, selecting our MFI partners is critical to achieving our vision. Creating a true partnership with a microfinance institution (MFI) is the first and most important step in the Unitus Acceleration Model. Identifying and partnering with the right MFI is critical to our goal of facilitating rapid MFI growth.

### **Visayas Enterprise Foundation**

Cinco Centrum, Room 307  
Fuente Osmena  
Cebu City, Philippines 6,000  
www.enterprise-mentors.org/PartnerFoundations.htm

011-63-32-254-1979  
011-63-32-253-9767 (fax)  
contact: vef@cnms.net

VEF is an Enterprise Mentors affiliated foundation, which serves the central islands of the Philippines providing job creation through training, consulting, and microcredit.

## **NON-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITH A LATTER-DAY SAINT CONNECTION**

### ***Requirements***

The organizations listed within this category are working in other worthy areas of humanitarian services other than economic development, including education, literacy, health care, short-term relief, and more. Again, these organizations have a Latter-day Saint connection on either the giving or receiving end of their work.

### ***Organizations***

#### **Academy of LDS Dentists**

147 HCEB, Brigham Young University  
Provo, UT 84604  
www.academyofldsdentists.com

(801) 378-4851  
(801) 378-6361 (fax)  
contact: cw147mail@byu.edu

Founded in 1977, this organization exists to instruct and support LDS dentists. Its members have also given volunteer services in Africa, China, Israel, Mexico, South America, the Republic of Georgia, Thailand, the West Indies, and the United States.

#### **Alliance for Youth Service**

178 Springfield St.  
Henderson, NV 89014  
www.ays.org

(702) 568-0088  
(702) 436-6121 (fax)  
contact: ebingham@ays.org

AYS (Alliance for Youth Service) is a non-profit volunteer organization of parents, leaders, and volunteers that offers LDS teens unique service opportunities in the USA and abroad. They work with existing high quality non-profit organizations they call Alliance Partners such as Habitat for Humanity and Amizade to form exclusively LDS programs. AYS provides life-changing experiences through service to others while strengthening testimonies, learning about other peoples, places, and cultures, and making new friends while helping others.

#### **American Indian Services**

1902 N. Canyon Suite 100  
Provo, UT 84604

(801) 375-1777  
(801) 375-1643 (fax)

www.aisintl.org

contact: aisintl@uswest.net

AIS began in 1958 to provide scholarships and other needed services to Native Americans through Brigham Young University's Indian Education Department. In 1989, AIS was established as a private charitable 501 (c)(3) foundation so that it could expand its reach to Native Americans throughout the country. Its mission is to assist Native Americans in developing their human and natural resources in order to help them make a contribution to society without detracting from the culture and background from which they have emerged. AIS does this by providing scholarships, leadership & motivational seminars, agricultural projects, humanitarian projects, educational projects and Christmas projects for Native Americans.

### **Beehive Foundation**

1011 West Mermod  
Carlsbad, NM 88220  
www.beehivefoundation.com

(800) 524-2799  
(505) 885-2179  
(505) 887-2671 (fax)  
contact: beehive@carlsbadnm.com

The Beehive Foundation organizes volunteers who supply millions of pounds of clothes to Mexico and Central America each year. It has also planted gardens and supported orphanages and children's hospitals. The Foundation seeks volunteers who want to give time, money, efforts, or all three to help wipe out poverty and sickness around the world.

### **Bennion Center-University of Utah**

200 South Central Campus Dr. Room 101  
University of Utah  
Salt Lake City, UT 84112  
www.saff.utah.edu/bennion

(801) 581-4811  
(801) 585-9241  
contact: info@bennioncenter.org

Since its founding, the Bennion Center has been providing service opportunities to the students, faculty, staff, and alumni of the University of Utah. More than 5000 people donate more than 100,000 hours annually to a variety of projects. Some give an hour of their time while others give weeks or even months. In each case, volunteers learn from projects dealing with poverty, the environment, at-risk youth, the elderly, the disabled, etc.

### **Benson Institute**

110 B-49, Brigham Young University  
Provo, UT 84602  
benison.byu.edu

(801) 378-2607  
(801) 378-0099 (fax)  
contact: benison\_institute@byu.edu

Formally known as the Ezra Taft Benson Agriculture & Food Institute, the Benson Institute is a BYU-affiliated outreach program, which conducts research and provides technical assistance to small farmers, primarily in Mexico and Central America.

### **Charity Anywhere Foundation**

PO Box 2747  
Twin Falls, ID 83303  
www.charityanywhere.org

(208) 734-8041  
contact: gordon@charityanywhere.org

The Charity Anywhere Foundation has the goal of arranging service projects to anyone and anywhere that has a real need for charitable relief. CAF offers a variety of projects including service trips to Mexico and Nicaragua as well as domestic service opportunities. CAF is looking for people that have ideas for service projects but don't know how to get started, or volunteers for its current projects.

### **Collegium Aesculapium Foundation, Inc.**

PO Box 7424  
Provo, UT 84602  
www.collegiumaesculapium.org

contact: questions@collegiumaesculapium.org

The Collegium Aesculapium Foundation is an international organization of LDS health professionals. Besides its journal and regular meetings, the Collegium Aesculapium Foundation participates in humanitarian service by providing medical and financial support and other programs such as Adopt A Saint.

### **Deseret International Foundation**

Deseret International	(801) 489-1315
#238 Hobble Creek Canyon	(801) 489-1323 (fax)
Springville, UT 84663	(801) 362-0430 (Alternate Phone)
www.deseret-international.org	contact: desint@sisna.com

Started in the Philippines in 1990, and now operating in 13 countries throughout Central and South America, Africa, Asia, and the Pacific, Deseret International is “a private, nondenominational charity whose goal is to provide surgical and dental assistance primarily for children in emerging nations.” Its participants are primarily medical professionals who help local medical practitioners establish adequate health facilities, perform surgeries, and reduce overhead costs by soliciting donations of medical and dental supplies.

### **Families Helping Families**

4040 East Greenway	(480) 807-0750
Mesa, AZ 85205	(480) 464-5692 (fax)
	contact: gwalker@azmesalaw.com

Families Helping Families, Inc. grew from a ten-day work expedition of families and young people to repair and rebuild homes on the eastern coast of Honduras in the aftermath of Hurricane Mitch. The families and youth organized this work expedition to build homes but have since expanded its efforts to promote education, literacy, family, health care, and community gardens. It asks all recipients who are able-bodied individuals to work on the projects to earn shoes, clothes, tools, and garden supplies. Families Helping Families hopes to include other areas of Honduras and eventually spread throughout Central America.

### **First Hope**

4936 Viewmont St.	(801) 272-7045
Salt Lake City, UT 84117	contact: AAAFrance@aol.com
	djhp@earthlink.net

Founded in 1986 by Cecile Pelous when she was Relief Society president of the Paris, France Stake of the LDS Church, this group supports an orphanage and school in Nepal build and operated by a native Nepalese woman who is LDS.

### **Food for Everyone**

848 Woodruff Way	(801) 583-4449
Salt Lake City, UT 84108	(801) 583-4449 (fax)
www.growfood.com	contact: gforder@growfood.com

Never since the Garden of Eden, has a greater proportion of God's children not known how to grow their own food. Multiplied millions of people today are starving, under-nourished, or impoverished, due to their inability to provide for their food needs. The solution can be found in complete, field-tested growing procedures prepared for the family-size gardener, taught professionally in the native language, with daily lab work in the garden. Dr. Jacob Mittleider has conducted 75 major garden teaching projects in 27 countries for the past 36 years. His documented experience is in ten books, CD ROM discs, Student Manuals, & video lectures for a complete gardening course usable anywhere in the world. We welcome involvement of all who desire to really make a difference as Ammon did, and through associations with other individuals and groups, Food for Everyone will train people in Salt Lake City and other locations.

### **Hands with Hope**

11777 Autumn Ridge Cove	(801) 501-7676
Sandy, UT 84092	contact: handswithhope@aol.com

Hands With Hope is an organization whose mission is to help foster the well being of the children of Africa. It believes that by helping to provide the fundamental needs requisite to the success of any child--food, shelter, education, medical care--it gives that child the opportunity to step beyond the borders of poverty and ignorance to live lives of hope and promise for generations to come.

### **Humanitarian Aid Relief Team (HART)**

3650 N. University Ave. Suite 200  
Provo, UT 84604

(801) 377-7835  
(801) 377-5997 (fax)  
contact: prf2@email.byu.edu ,  
abardsley@ucomm.utah.edu

A BYU student-founded, student-run nonprofit group, HART is committed to providing medical relief to the less fortunate. Currently, HART is working on a health project to eradicate the Buruli ulcer in West Africa.

### **Humanitarian Resource Center of North America**

1600 South Empire Rd., Suite 700  
Salt Lake City, UT 84104  
www.hrcna.org

(801) 977-0444  
(801) 977-3999 (fax)  
contact: HRCNA@worldnet.att.net

The Humanitarian Resource Center of North America (HRCNA) is a 501(c)(3) publicly supported organization. HRCNA's mission is to relieve human suffering by providing humanitarian supplies to qualified relief organizations. It is a matchmaker, gathering appropriate humanitarian resources and providing them to effective relief efforts here at home and around the world. HRCNA focuses on five specific areas of relief: 1) Literacy and Education, 2) Health, 3) Micro-enterprise, 4) Water and Environment, and 5) Local Leadership.

### **International Aid Serving Kids**

432 E. 1200 N.  
Orem, UT 84097  
kaaia.virtualave.net

(801) 226-2695  
contact: kaaia@yahoo.com

International Aid Serving Kids is an organization designed to get members of the community involved in service. Made up almost entirely of teenagers, International Aid Serving Kids works to improve the lives of children in the Third World, mostly those in orphanages. Working through adoption agencies, adoptive parents, and orphanage directors, it organizes projects to gather donations for the children, as well as assisting in locating good homes for the children.

### **International Development Network**

786 TNRB, Brigham Young University  
Provo, UT 84602

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(801) 422-0540 (fax)  
contact: warner\_woodworth@byu.edu

This informal group (coordinated by Warner Woodworth) meets semiannually at BYU to discuss LDS-related issues, Third World development and humanitarian programs being carried out by LDS family foundations, charities, NGOs, and other entities. It facilitates interaction, networking, student internships, and other opportunities by Latter-day Saints and others seeking to make a difference in the world.

### **Jacobsen Center for Service**

2010 WSC, Brigham Young University  
Provo, UT 84602  
Jacobsencenter.byu.edu

(801) 378-8686  
(801) 378-1291 (fax)  
contact: jacobsencenter@byu.edu

The Jacobsen Center for Service and Learning was organized in October 1999. We support and promote service and learning through volunteer community service, service-learning courses, academic internships, semester away and international study programs. We are able to attract donor contributions and grants to be distributed primarily to students to reduce their costs in participating in service and learning experiences.

We provide funding connected to community service in our local community and in our world-wide LDS Church communities. We are a resource for advising new faculty and student initiatives in reaching out to extend the blessings of education by providing service connected to a student's academic studies.

## **Kids**

### **Who Care**

4 Calle Serra (949) 459-9233  
Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688 (949) 459-9233 (fax)  
www.kids-who-care.org contact: karen.baker@kids-who-care.org

KidServe Inc, is a non-profit organization that provides monthly service activities for families through a program called Kids Who Care. The aim of Kids Who Care is to teach children that they can make a difference in the world by serving in the community--and have fun doing it! A different type of service activity specifically geared to children is featured each month so that the children are exposed to a wide variety of service opportunities. Children discover which service activities they like most while interacting in a positive and fun way with family and friends. In addition, neighborhoods draw closer as they work together in a good cause.

### **Laubach Literacy**

Box 131 (888) 528-2224  
1320 Jamesville Ave.  
Syracuse, NY 13210 contact: info@laubach.org  
www.laubach.org

Founded in 1955, this nonprofit, educational corporation works to enable adults and older youths to acquire literacy, communication, mathematics and technology skills through partner programs throughout the United States and in 36 developing countries. Its programs include coordinating volunteer tutors and publishing special easy-to-read books.

### **Norma Love Foundation**

5107 Atlantis Terrace (817) 540-1954  
Arlington, TX 76016 (817) 457-6650 (fax)  
contact: normamorocon@yahoo.com

This project is focused on aiding impoverished Misquito Indians in Honduras. Volunteers gather and send various goods, such as clothing, medicine, and children's toys to the rural poor. The eventual goals include improving the Indians' education, teaching better farming techniques, and establishing medical clinics.

### **Radiant Futures**

7001 Fairfield Greens Ct., NE (505) 822-0704  
Albuquerque, NM 87111 (505) 797-8239 (fax)  
www.radiantfutures.org contact: radiantfutures@juno.com

Radiant Futures is a nonprofit organization whose purpose is to provide a radiant future for orphaned and abandoned children in the Americas by furnishing them with a home, family, love, education and opportunities for success.

### **Reach the Children**

578 East 9650 South (801) 423-1147  
Salem, UT 84653 (801) 423-1276 (fax)  
www.reachthechildren.org contact: Africakid1@aol.com

Reach The Children Inc. was started in 1998. It is incorporated in the state of New York and is registered with the IRS as a 501(c)3 non-profit charitable organization. Reach The Children, Inc. is an organization dedicated to strengthening families by providing education and health care for children, vocational training for adults, and teaching self-reliance and principle-based values. These tools and skills will enable people to overcome the shackles of extreme poverty and promote community leadership as they reach for a brighter tomorrow.

**Saving A Generation**

1260 East 50 North  
Springville, UT 84663  
www.savingageneration.org

(801) 491-2207  
(801) 378-7461 (fax)

Saving A Generation is a non-profit humanitarian organization that believes people in need deserve help without regard to race, religious belief, gender, or political affiliation. With an emphasis on orphans, Saving A Generation is dedicated to improving the lives of the people of Africa. By providing school fees, uniform costs, other school expenses, and higher education opportunities in other parts of the world, Saving A Generation strives to do just that—save a generation from hopelessness and despair and provide a foundation for them to be productive citizens.

**Starlight UK of Utah, Inc.**

1870 High Pointe Drive  
Bountiful, UT 84010

(801) 292-0607  
(801) 298-5327 (fax)

In response to the civil war in Bosnia an English-LDS Relief Society president, Carol Gray, organized a relief mission in England to generate donated goods for the victims of the civil conflict, especially widows and orphans. Obtaining 40 tons of goods, she sold the family car in order to buy a truck to transport food, clothing, and medical supplies. Since then, with others' help, Carol has led over 20 humanitarian missions on the 5,000-mile road trip to aid the destitute people of Bosnia, and the group is expanding its efforts to Honduras and Kosovo. Most recently, Carol has carried her mission into Liberia because of the fierce civil war that is going on there. She currently has plans for an orphanage, a school, and a hospital in Liberia.

**Students for International Development**

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Provo, UT 84602  
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(801) 422-3377  
contact: kennedy@byu.edu

A BYU-student run program, SID conducts charitable drives on the Provo campus, organizes international development conferences, seminars, and outreach efforts.

**Thrasher Research Fund**

15 East South Temple St., 3W  
Salt Lake City, UT 84150-6910  
www.thrasherresearch.org

(801) 240-4753  
(801) 240-1625 (fax)  
contact: ByrdAD@thrasherresearch.org

In 1973, E. W. "Al" Thrasher, a non-LDS Utahn, provided a substantial endowment to be administered through the LDS Church for humanitarian, child-related research projects. The Thrasher Fund supports research in two separate categories: 1) academic research in nutrition and pediatric infectious diseases and 2) field applications appropriate to local cultures that, through careful documentation, can be transferred to other cultures.

**World Wide Canneries**

PO Box 2311  
Pocatello, ID 83206

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(208) 233-1040 (fax)  
contact: worldwidedcanneries@paraglobal.com

The purpose of World Wide Canneries, a nonprofit organization, is to build small canneries to help people who live in poor economic conditions help themselves. Providing used equipment and technically trained volunteers, it uses donated funds to cover the expenses. In many places around the world there is a lack of food processing. In some areas, there is a minimal amount being done with old, worn out equipment. The objective of World Wide Canneries is to help people in struggling countries (Mormons and non-Mormons) to establish small food processing plants. "We have found that old, unused equipment in the U.S. can be of great value in these places. Our goal is to bring this cast off equipment in the U.S. to people in developing countries. We want to assist the Latter-day Saints in underdeveloped countries. We would like to build a cannery in such a country and then turn it over to people."

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT A LATTER-DAY SAINT CONNECTION

### *Requirements*

Organizations in the following category focus on economic development, but do not necessarily have a Latter-day Saint connection. Most of these are national and international organizations that may have worked with members of the church on an individual basis before, but nothing specifically related to Latter-day Saints.

### *Organizations*

#### **Accion International**

120 Beacon Street  
Somerville, MA 02143  
www.accion.org

(617) 492-4930  
(617) 876-9509 (fax)  
contact: info@accion.org

Founded in 1961, ACCION is a nonprofit, private organization, which provides small short-term loans to self-employed poor through its network of affiliated organizations in 13 Latin American countries and 6 U.S. cities. Recently, ACCION has created fully commercial financial institutions in Bolivia and Colombia whose sole clientele is the microenterprise sector.

#### **ACDI/VOCA**

1008 "S" Street, Suite B  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
www.acdivoca.org

(800) 556-1620  
(916) 556-1630 (fax)  
contact: webmaster@acdivoca.org

ACDI/VOCA identifies and opens economic opportunities for farmers and other entrepreneurs worldwide by promoting democratic principles and market liberalization, building international cooperative partnerships, and encouraging the sound management of natural resources.

#### **Cashpor, Inc.** (Network for Credit and Savings for the Hardcore Poor in Asia-Pacific)

6 Larong 4/1, Taman Permata, (Lobok)  
70200 Seremban N.S., Malaysia

011-60-6-764-5116  
011-60-6-764-2307 (fax)  
contact: mlsaun@aol.com.

CASHPOR aims to further reduce hardcore poverty in the region by providing technical assistance to scale up existing credit and savings programs for the poor and by promoting new Grameen Bank replications where they are needed.

#### **CDRO** (Cooperative Association for Western rural Development, Cooperacion para el Desarrollo Rural de Occidente)

Paraje Tierra Blanca  
Tonicapán, Guatemala

011-502-766-2175  
011-502-766-2183 (fax)  
contact: cdro@terra.com.gt,  
cesartvsfc@intelnet.net.gt

CDRO is a weaving of horizontal organization integrated into 45 rural communities. Its fundamental purpose is to support development in these communities through a methodology of community participation, which is the base of the Maya Kiché culture, and the use of available science and technology.

#### **FINCA** (Foundation for International Community Assistance)

1101 14<sup>th</sup> St. N.W. 11<sup>th</sup> Floor

(202) 682-1510

Washington, D.C. 20005  
www.villagebanking.org

(202) 682-1535 (fax)  
contact: finca@villagebanking.org

FINCA provides financial services to the world's poorest families so they can create their own jobs, raise household incomes, and improve their standard of living. FINCA delivers these services through a global network of locally managed, self-supporting institutions. FINCA Village Banking groups—borrowing groups of 10-50 neighbors—promote the success of entire communities. FINCA invented the “Village Banking™ method” of credit delivery, now used by more than 80 other organizations worldwide. We operate on five continents in more diverse cultures than any other microcredit provider.

### **Freedom From Hunger**

1644 DaVinci Court  
Davis, CA 95617  
www.freefromhunger.org

(800) 708-2555  
(530) 758-6241 (fax)  
contact: info@freefromhunger.org

Originally founded in 1944 to develop and distribute a nutrition supplement, Freedom From Hunger now concentrates on providing microenterprise training and credit programs for women in several Third World countries.

### **Grameen Microcredit**

Grameen Foundation USA  
1709 New York Ave., NW, Suite 101  
Washington, D.C. 20006  
www.gfusa.org

(202) 628-3560  
(202) 628-3880 (fax)  
(888) 764-3872  
contact: info@gfusa.org

Grameen Bank Bhaban  
Mirpur-2  
Dhaka 1216, Bangladesh  
www.grameen.org

011-880-2-9005257-68  
contact: grameen.bank@grameen.net

One of the world's leading microenterprise financial institutions, founded by Dr. Muhammad Yunus in the 1980s. The work of the Grameen is supported in the United States and Western Hemisphere by the Grameen Foundation USA at the address above.

### **Inter-American Foundation**

901 North Stuart St., 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Arlington, VA 22203  
www.iaf.gov

(703) 306-4301  
(703) 306-4365 (fax)

An independent agency of the United States government formed in 1969, IAF offers an alternative to traditional U.S. foreign aid programs. It provides extensive support for grassroots economic development projects throughout Latin America and the Caribbean, including grants, training, and other services to cooperatives and other local groups.

### **International Executive Service Corps**

333 Ludlow St.  
Stamford, CT 06902  
www.iesc.org

(203) 967-6000  
(203) 324-2531 (fax)  
contact: iesc@iesc.org

IESC is the largest not-for-profit business development organization in the world, utilizing its thirteen thousand strong database of senior-level professionals -- who donate their time and experience -- to improve private and public enterprises in more than 50 developing countries and emerging markets. IESC has provided effective, results-oriented assistance to businesses, nonprofits, and governmental agencies in 120 countries over the last 34 years.

### **Mondragon Corporacion Cooperativa**

Paseo Jose Maria Arizmendiarieta, No. 5  
20500 Mondragon  
Gipuzkoa, Spain  
www.mondragon.mcc.es

011-34-43-77-93-00  
011-34-43-79-66-32 (fax)  
contact: wm@mcc.es

This is the Center for information on the Mondragon cooperative complex in the Basque country of northern Spain. The Center can provide literature and arrange visits to Mondragon or by Mondragon representatives elsewhere.

### **Opportunity International/Women's Opportunity Fund**

2122 York Road, Suite 340 (800) 793-9455  
Oak Brook, IL 60523 (630) 645-4100  
www.opportunity.org (630) 645-1458 (fax)  
contact: [getinfo@opportunity.org](mailto:getinfo@opportunity.org)

Opportunity International was founded over 25 years ago by international business executive Alfred Whitaker, who felt inspired by his Christian faith to leave his luxurious executive lifestyle to find constructive ways to help lift the poor. It provides microloans to both individuals and affinity groups throughout the Third World and Eastern Europe.

### **Philippines Rural Reconstruction Movement**

Kayumanggi Press Building  
940 Quezon Avenue  
Quezon City, Philippines 1103  
www.prrm.org contact: [infor@prrm.org](mailto:infor@prrm.org)

The Philippines Rural Reconstruction Movement is a non-governmental organization that focuses on grassroots training and community organizing to empower peasants and rural farmers.

### **Programa de Economía del Trabajo**

Dirección: Sótero del Río 492 piso 5. Stgo. centro  
Fono: 688 7761  
Fax: 688 3971  
Directora : Carmen Espinoza  
www.petchile.cl

The Programa de Economía del Trabajo is a NGO involved in workers' self-management and microenterprise projects in Chile.

### **Results International**

440 First Street, NW Suite 450 (202) 783-7100  
Washington, D.C. 20001 (202) 783-2818 (fax)  
www.action.org contact: [results@action.org](mailto:results@action.org)

Educational Fund (202) 637-9600  
440 First Street, NW Suite 460 (202) 637-3566 (fax)  
Washington, D.C. 20001 contact: [info@microcreditsummit.org](mailto:info@microcreditsummit.org)  
www.microcreditsummit.org

Results is an international citizen advocacy group that lobbies governments to create political strategies for ending global hunger and poverty. It trains volunteers to influence public officials, media, and local communities, promoting the immunization of children, education, and micro-lending programs. Its Educational Fund organizes two widely publicized global microcredit summits each year.

### **San Dionisio Credit Cooperative**

0554 Quirino Avenue  
San Dionisio, Paranaque, Philippines

One of the oldest and most successful credit-union type organizations, it serves many of its poverty -stricken members in the community of Paranaque.

### **Scott Bader Commonwealth, Ltd.**

Wollaston, Wellingborough  
Northamptonshire, NN29-7RL  
United Kingdom  
www.scottbader.com

011-44-1933-663100  
011-44-1933-664592 (fax)  
contact: info@scottbader.com

A British chemical company that paved the way to sharing wealth through employee ownership and worker representation on the board of directors, allowing employee input regarding the firm's corporate strategy and allocation of profits.

**SEWA Bank (Self Employed Women's Association)**

SEWA Reception Center 011-91-79-5506444  
Opp. Victoria Garden 011-91-79-5506446 (fax)  
Bhadra, Ahmedabad 380-001 India contact: sewa.mahila@gnaahd.globalnet.ems.vsnl.net.in

SEWA is a trade union registered in 1972. It is an organization of poor, self-employed women workers. These are women who earn a living through their own labor or small business. SEWA's main goals are to organize women workers for full employment and self-reliance.

**Trickle-Up Program**

121 West 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 504 (212) 362-7958  
New York, NY 10001 (212) 877-7464 (fax)  
www.trickleup.org contact: info@trickleup.org

Created in 1979, Trickle-Up provides training and credit assistance to micro-entrepreneurs through local development agencies in over 50 countries.

**Women's World Banking**

8 West 40<sup>th</sup> Street, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor (212) 768-8513  
New York, NY 10018 (212) 768-8519 (fax)  
wwb@igc.apc.org (888) 768-8513

Established in 1979 and supported by many major private and governmental donors, WWB promotes microcredit for poor women in almost 40 countries (including the United States and Europe as well as the Third World) through education, policy initiatives and assistance to microfinance institutions.

**NON-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
WITHOUT A  
LATTER-DAY SAINT CONNECTION**

***Requirements***

The following is only a small list of the thousands of humanitarian organizations that have been created worldwide. They have been included because while they do not necessarily concentrate on economic development or Latter-day Saints, they do provide a great deal of service to those in need. This is by no means a comprehensive list for this category, but they are worthy and well-known organizations that are useful to include.

***Organizations***

**City of Joy Aid**

A-58 Nizamuddin East

New Delhi 100 013 - India  
www.cityofjoy.org

City of Joy Aid is a non-profit humanitarian organization dedicated to helping some of the world's most underprivileged. Based in Calcutta, India, this network of clinics, schools, rehabilitation centers and hospital boats has brought relief to the poorest of the poor since 1981.

### **African Women Development and Communications**

PO Box 54562  
Nairobi, Kenya  
011-254-2-741-320  
011-254-2-742-729 (fax)  
contact: femnet@elci.gn.apc.org

The Network was formed in 1988 to share information and ideas between African NGO's so as to enable a better and more effective NGO focus on women's development. It is one of the outgrowths of NGO involvement in the Decade for Women's Activities. The Network's chief endeavor is to support efforts to promote gender-sensitive development plans, policies, and programs.

### **Business for Social Responsibility**

609 Mission St. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
San Francisco, CA 94105  
www.bsr.org  
(415) 537-0888  
(415) 537-0889 (fax)

BSR is a national trade association for large and small companies that want to become more socially responsible on such issues as diversity, ecology, ethics, and employee relations.

### **CARE**

151 Ellis St. NE  
Atlanta, GA 30303-2426  
www.care.org  
(404) 681-2552  
(404) 577-5977 (fax)  
contact: info@care.org

Founded after the Second World War to send relief supplies to Europe and Asia, CARE has since helped more than one billion people in 121 countries to improve their lives through emergency disaster relief as well as agriculture, environment, health, nutrition, population, and small-business development programs. One of its largest supporters is the LDS Church through the donation of surplus production from welfare farms.

### **Catholic Relief Services Headquarters**

209 West Fayette St.  
Baltimore, MD 21201-3443  
www.catholicrelief.org  
(800) 235-2772  
(410) 625-2220  
(410) 234-2983 (fax)

Coordinates and funds relief efforts of numerous Catholic charities throughout the world.

### **Co-Op America**

1612 K Street, N.W., Suite 600  
Washington, D.C. 20006  
www.coopamerica.org  
(800) 58-GREEN  
(202) 331-8166 (fax)  
contact: info@coopamerica.org

This nonprofit organization links consumer members and socially and environmentally responsible businesses through directories, newsletters, and other information programs.

### **Habitat for Humanity International**

121 Habitat St.  
Americus, GA 31709  
www.habitat.org  
(912) 924-6935  
contact: public\_info@habitat.org

Habitat for Humanity International is 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. Habitat invites people of all backgrounds, races and religions to build houses together in partnership with families in need. Contact Habitat for Humanity for local chapter information.

### **Intermediate Technology Development Group**

9 King Street  
London WC2E 8HN, United Kingdom  
www.itdg.org

011-44-171-4369761  
011-44-171-4362013 (fax)

Associated with the pioneering work of E. F. Schumacher, ITDG strives to assist people in living more simply, using appropriate technologies and indigenous methods.

### **International Rescue Committee**

122 East 42<sup>nd</sup> St.  
New York, NY 10168-1289  
www.intrescom.org

(212) 551-3000  
(212) 551-3180 (fax)  
contact: irc@theIRC.org

Founded in 1933, the International Rescue Committee (the IRC) is a leading nonsectarian, voluntary organization providing relief, protection and resettlement services for refugees and victims of oppression or violent conflict.

### **Mi Refugio**

4908 Jasmine Drive  
Rockville, MD 20853-1632  
www.mirefugio.net

(301) 929-1267  
(301) 929-1235 (fax)

Mi Refugio is a non-denominational Christian ministry which provides education, food, clothing and medical assistance to children and their families who live in the Guatemala City garbage dump. The ministry provides pre-school through high school academic education, as well as trade school education in carpentry, baking and sewing, that will assist the children to leave a life time on the garbage dump.

### **Missionaries of Charity**

54 A.J.C. Bose Road  
Calcutta 700016, India

335 East 145<sup>th</sup> Street  
Bronx, NY 10451

(718) 292-0019

World renowned, humanitarian service oriented Catholic religious order, founded by the late Nobel Peace Prize winner Mother Teresa.

### **National Center for Employee Ownership**

1736 Franklin St., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612-1217  
www.nceo.org

(510) 208-1300  
(510) 272-9510 (fax)  
contact: nceo@nceo.org

The NCEO is a nonprofit clearinghouse that advises executives, unions, and companies on ESOPs and other employee ownership methods. It organizes conferences and workshops and provides many publications including a professional journal on the financial and legal aspects of employee ownership.

### **Operation Smile**

6435 Tidewater Drive  
Norfolk, VA 23509  
www.operationssmile.org

(757) 321-7645  
(757) 321-7660 (fax)

Operation Smile is a private, non-profit volunteer medical services organization providing reconstructive surgery and related health care to indigent children and young adults in developing countries and the United States. Operation Smile provides education and training around the world to physicians and other health care professionals to achieve long-term self-sufficiency. See website or call Operation Smile for local chapter information.

**Water for People**

6666 West Quincy Ave.  
Denver, CO 80235  
www.water4people.org

(303) 734-3494  
(303) 734-3499 (fax)  
contact: info@waterforpeople.org

Water For People is a nonprofit, charitable organization in the United States and Canada that helps people in developing countries obtain safe drinking water. It works with local partner organizations to provide financial and technical assistance to communities, depending on their needs. Water for People's commitment is to help people help themselves

**World Neighbors**

4127 NW 122<sup>nd</sup> St.  
Oklahoma City, OK 73120  
www.wn.org

(405) 752-9700  
(800) 242-6387  
(405) 752-9393 (fax)  
contact: info@wn.org

A private volunteer agency, this organization works to improve farming and other conditions in rural villages in Asia, Africa, and Latin America.