

## Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

Ave you ever wondered how Eucharistic hosts for Mass are made, and who makes them? Orders of religious sisters and nuns commonly manufacture hosts as a means of supporting the work of their communities. Not only does this work offer a means of self-support for those communities, but it also forges a tangible, physical connection between the sisters and the parishes and other diocesan ministries that use the hosts at Mass and bring the Blessed Sacrament to prisoners, seniors, and others who cannot attend Mass.

The Conceptionist Sisters of Fortaleza, Brazil, is one community that makes the hosts used at Masses in the diocese. After years of manufacturing hosts, the sisters needed new, more reliable, modern equipment for baking and cutting the hosts. With the assistance of a grant from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Church in Latin America program, the sisters purchased new machinery that allows them to continue this work of service and unity for the local Church now and for years to come. Your generous donations to the Collection for the Church in Latin America are your way of participating in the sisters' work and that of communities throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

For more information about the Collection for the Church in Latin America, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

## 2021 CLA Financials

## Expenses

Grants and Donations: 78.67%

Program Costs: 8.25%

Allocations—Internal Grants: 7.22%

Promotions and Fundraising Expenses: 4.25%

Administrative Expenses: 1.61%

**Total Expenses: \$5,556,692** 

Total Number of Grants Approved: 281 Total Amount Approved: \$6,112,536

General Pastoral\*: 49%

Emergency Disaster Funds: 29%

Formation of Clergy and Religious, and Vocations: 20%

Child Protection: 2%

\*includes evangelization, religious education, family and other pastoral ministries



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