



Sister Support Initiative

GHR Foundation recognizes and supports the unique, global role of Catholic sisters in advancing the common good through their leadership, service and spiritual witness.

Our Focus

We invest in efforts to bolster the essential elements of women's religious life while encouraging innovative responses to emerging realities. GHR partners with organizations that build capacity of congregations of Catholic sisters for mission, especially those working with and on behalf of the most vulnerable.

- Building capacity for leadership, especially among younger sisters
- Helping congregations attract, form and educate new members
- Securing resources for congregational mission and wellbeing
- Supporting emerging networks and organizations
- Equipping sisters to work with vulnerable populations

GHR supports women's religious life in the United States and in Central and Eastern Africa. We invest in projects where the benefits accrue to more than one congregation.

In the United States, helping:

- younger sisters develop their leadership skills and peer networks
- congregations discern and plan for new futures
- with the development of new organizations

In Central and Eastern Africa, helping:

- build resources to support the formation of sisters as sisters
- train sisters further to work with vulnerable populations, especially children



Sisters Today

700,000



Global: There are 700,000 Catholic sisters around the world, found in all but a handful of countries.

Diverse: Bound together by a life of prayer and mission, the stream of women entering religious life is amazingly diverse in terms of age, race, ethnicity, and life experience.

Committed: Catholic sisters advance the common good in myriad ways—through ministries of prayer and presence, their service to those in need, and in advocating for justice.

Present: Catholic sisters can be found working in grassroots local initiatives, in key social institutions, in major NGOs.

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