



**Catawba Cultural Preservation Project —**

Members of the Catawba Tribe in Rock Hill, SC are working together to address issues of food insecurity. Many families are without transportation and live long distances from stores that sell fresh vegetables, making it difficult to acquire fresh, healthy food. Catawba families will learn how to grow food through hydroponic and permaculture methods on their own land.



**Peralta Youth Association —** Peralta Youth Association is one of the projects funded by CE-MUJER, our intermediary partner in the Dominican Republic. The project will contribute to increased coffee growing through coffee nurseries and the sale of agricultural products in a new plaza. This kind of business did not exist in the community before Peralta Youth Association started it.



**Stitching up Detroit —** Stitching up Detroit is a youth-run screen print and graphic design collective that helps provide a source of income to students. The project holds live screen printing events. Project members developed workshops for the Detroit-based nonprofit, Alternatives for Girls, as well as four Detroit public schools, in which participants created and printed their own designs on T-shirts.

## Who We Are

SDOP is a ministry that affirms God's concern for humankind. We are Presbyterians and ecumenical partners dissatisfied with poverty and oppression, united in faith and action through sharing, confronting, and enabling by participating in the empowerment of economically poor, oppressed, and disadvantaged people, seeking to change the structures that perpetuate poverty, oppression and injustice.

In the Gospels, Jesus Christ created relationships by befriending and assisting poor and oppressed people, and taught his followers to do the same. As the Body of Christ, we are called to be unified in faith and action through sharing our resources to confront poverty and promote economic empowerment.

*"Truly living the vision of what Matthew 25: 31-46 is all about."*

—Rev. Dr. Alonzo Johnson, SDOP Coordinator

## Get Involved With SDOP

**THANK YOU!** SDOP is supported by generous gifts to the One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS).

- Consider giving to The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering, a special offering taken up during Lent, to support Self-Development of People, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and the Presbyterian Hunger Program. Visit [specialofferings.pcusa.org/oghs](https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/oghs) to learn more about the OGHS offering and/or to give.
- Consider giving directly to SDOP. Your gift, together with others, makes it possible for thousands of communities around the world to have an opportunity to take control of their own destinies and develop solutions to their own challenges. The power of your giving gives hope, meaning and purpose to people who for one reason or another find themselves in hopeless situations. [presbyterianmission.org/donate/E051602/](https://presbyterianmission.org/donate/E051602/)
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- Learn more about SDOP's international projects in Belize and the latest on the West Africa Initiative.
- Invite a SDOP group in your area to share their story with your congregation.
- Share a Minute for Mission about SDOP with your congregation.

### QUESTIONS?

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