

Website Links

MICRO-LOANS

ACCION—www.accion.org

ACCION's mission is to give people the financial tools they need – microloans, business training and other financial services – to work their way out of poverty.

AFRICARE—www.africare.org

For nearly four decades, Africare has delivered more than \$1 billion in assistance — representing over 2,500 projects and millions of beneficiaries — to 36 countries Africa-wide. Today, Africare's programs reach families and communities in more than 20 nations in Sub-Saharan Africa.

HEIFER PROJECT—www.heifer.org

Heifer's mission is to work with communities to end hunger and poverty and care for the earth. By giving families a hand-up, not just a hand-out, we empower them to turn lives of hunger and poverty into self-reliance and hope.

KIVA—www.kiva.org

Kiva's mission is to connect people, through lending, for the sake of alleviating poverty. Kiva empowers individuals to lend to an entrepreneur across the globe. By combining microfinance with the internet, Kiva is creating a global community of people connected through lending.

OPPORTUNITY INTERNATIONAL—www.opportunity.org

Opportunity International provides small business loans, savings, insurance and training to more than two million people working their way out of poverty in the developing world. Clients in over 20 countries use these financial services to start or expand a business, provide for their families, create jobs for their neighbors and build a safety net for the future.

WORLD VISION MICRO—www.worldvisionmicro.org

Micro lets you fund small loans to empower hardworking men and women in poverty. Connect one-on-one with the entrepreneur of your choice — each with a sound business idea, but no access to credit to qualify for a traditional loan. Then share in the joy of their success.

ENVIRONMENT

CONSERVATION INTERNATIONAL—www.conservation.org

Conservation International is committed to helping societies adopt a more sustainable approach to development — one that considers and values nature at every turn. Every person on Earth deserves a healthy environment and the fundamental benefits that nature provides.

EARTH DAY NETWORK—www.earthday.org

Earth Day Network was founded on the premise that all people, regardless of race, gender, income, or geography, have a moral right to a healthy, sustainable environment. Our mission is to broaden and diversify the environmental movement worldwide, and to mobilize it as the most effective vehicle for promoting a healthy, sustainable environment.

ENVIROJUSTICE—www.envirojustice.org

Envirojustice is a new organization that promotes environmental justice through education, activism and mobilization from a progressive, faith-based perspective. We are global in scope and local in focus. Our job at Envirojustice is to speak in broader terms and to articulate, disseminate and integrate the bigger picture into the landscape of both the environmental and faith-based communities.

NCC ECO-JUSTICE—www.nccecojustice.org

The Eco-Justice Program office of the National Council of Churches works in cooperation with the NCC Eco-Justice Working Group to provide an opportunity for the national bodies of member Protestant and Orthodox communions to work together to protect and restore God's Creation.

PLANT WITH PURPOSE—www.plantwithpurpose.org

By reversing deforestation, Plant With Purpose helps the poor restore productivity to their land to create economic opportunity out of environmental restoration. Since 1984 we have helped more than 100,000 people in some 230 villages lift themselves out of poverty through our holistic approach to sustainable development.

UMCOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT—<http://new.gbgm-umc.org/umcor/work/hunger/sad/>

UMCOR has introduced some new methods of farming in impoverished areas of Africa through its Sustainable Agriculture and Development program. These techniques are transforming communities with poor nutritional standards to thriving centers of crop production, market goods, and family income.

UMW GREEN TEAM—<http://new.gbgm-umc.org/umw/work/social-action/environment/green-team/>

The United Methodist Women's environmental organization.