



**Who We Are:** The Columban Center for Advocacy and Outreach (CCAO) promotes the social justice priorities of the U.S. region of the Missionary Society of St. Columban. We represent Columban missionaries: Catholic men and women who work with and serve those who are poor in fifteen countries worldwide, as well as communities in the United States.

**What We Believe:** As people of faith, we are both challenged and called to raise our voices in solidarity with those who are poor and to defend the most marginalized in our world. As such, we reject global structures that create and perpetuate poverty, violence, and inequality, but instead are guided by faith-based principles of human dignity, environmental sustainability, peace, justice, and equality.

### Where We Serve

*Australia, Britain, Burma, Chile,  
China, Fiji, Ireland, Japan,  
Korea, New Zealand, Pakistan,  
Peru, Philippines, Taiwan,  
United States*

### U.S. Ministries

*Bristol, RI  
Chicago, IL  
El Paso, TX  
Los Angeles, CA  
Silver Creek, NY  
St. Columbans, NE*

**What We Work For:** Through advocacy, solidarity, and education, the CCAO is dedicated to raising the peace, social justice and ecological concerns of Columban missionaries and the people with whom we live and serve. Although we recognize the wide variety of social justice and economic ills facing our global community, we focus primarily on:

- Climate Change
- Migration and Immigration
- Economic Justice (Trade and Debt)
- Peace and Reconciliation

We also recognize the growing synthesis of our issues (especially climate and migration), and take an integrated approach to advocating for solutions to the problems that plague our world and that negatively impact our brothers and sisters at home and abroad.