

Idaho Executive Director Retires; Search for New Director Underway

Dr. Marie D. Hoff, founding executive director of Catholic Charities of Idaho, retired December 31, 2005. Dr. Hoff was hired by Bishop Michael P. Driscoll, Bishop of Idaho and Episcopal Liaison to CCUSA, in September 2000 to organize and develop Catholic Charities of Idaho. She spent her first nine months traveling around the diocese to introduce the mission and purpose of Catholic Charities to clergy and parishioners, as well as to the general community.

Under Dr. Hoff's leadership, Catholic Charities of Idaho quickly achieved a visible and respected presence in the social services arena throughout the state, growing to seven office sites in the diocese. The Dr. Marie Hoff Social Justice Award was established in her honor and will be presented annually.

A national search for her replacement is underway. For more information, contact Deacon Pierce Murphy, Roman Catholic Diocese of Idaho, Diocesan Pastoral Center, 303 Federal Way, Boise, ID 83705-5925, deaconpierce@yahoo.com.