

Year in Review

2022



The Christian Economic Development (CED) Network is a community committed to Christ-centered economic development. Our purpose is to create a space where organizations and individuals can share best practices, learn from each other's challenges, and encourage each other in our pursuits of transformational economic development.



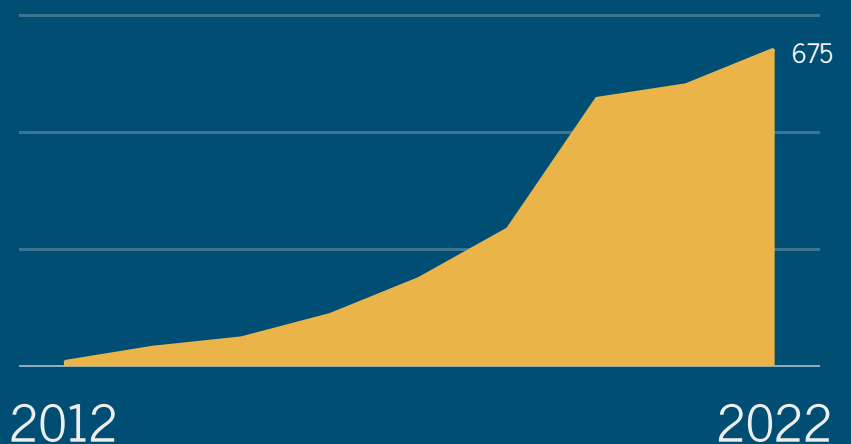
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Since its grassroots founding in 2012, the CED Network has grown to be a connecting point for hundreds of practitioners to learn from each other.



How did participants engage in the CED Network in 2022?



Communities of Practice

Communities of Practice (CoPs), are small groups of CED members convening together for **in-depth discussions** around a particular discipline or topic within Christ-centered economic development. CED launched two CoP's in 2022:

Savings Groups and Savings-led Microfinance Business Training and Mentoring

2

CoP's launched in 2022

84

CED members are participating in a CoP

3

more CoP's launching in 2023

CED at One Accord

In October, 50 Christian economic development practitioners came together for a one-day workshop during the Accord Network's annual conference. This was the first CED **in-person gathering** since 2019 and was a rich time of sharing and learning across organizations and individuals.

We heard from Brian Fikkert about **why Christian economic development matters**, worked through the Chalmers Center's Innovate Curriculum, and discussed case studies about challenges and innovation in Christ-centered economic development.



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Resource Sharing



With nearly 2,000 visits to our website in 2022, CED served as a meeting place for participants to **learn from each other** by accessing resources in our online library, tuning into live webinars, and watching webinar recordings, even from the last several years. We're so grateful for the open handedness of CED participants in allowing us to share these resources!

Looking toward 2023 (and beyond!)

At the end of 2021, the CED Network steering committee established new strategy goals for serving CED participants, prioritizing deeper, more targeted engagement. The result was launching Communities of Practice around key topics within Christian economic development. In 2022, we recruited chairs to help lead five different Communities of Practice, two of which officially launched in 2022. The remaining three CoPs will be launching in 2023, so keep an eye out for those launches!



Communities of Practice:



Agriculture



Business Training & Mentoring *now live!*



Integral Mission



Microfinance, Small-to-Medium Enterprises, & Impact Investing



Savings Groups & Savings-led Microfinance *now live!*

“Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”

– Hebrews 10:23-25