

Background

January 2025

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Timeline

- February 20, 2018 First meeting of Tier One Founders
- March 12, 2018 First meeting of Board of Directors
- April 3, 2018 Articles of Incorporation filed with Wisconsin
- June 8, 2018 Acceptance in Official Catholic Directory via Archdiocese of Milwaukee
- January 1, 2019 Lyn Korte, CAE, in place as Executive Director
- June 24, 2019 Board of Directors confirm list of services to be developed
- July 2021—Julie Tydrich FSPA replaces Lyn Korte as Executive Director
- November 1, 2024—Sharon Glumb SLW hired as Shared Services Director



Members

- Sisters of Mercy of the Holy Cross, Merrill (2018)
- Sisters of the Living Word, Des Plaines, IL (2018)
- Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Cross, Green Bay (2018)
- Sisters of the Divine Savior, Milwaukee (2018)
- Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi, St. Francis (2018)
- Servants of Mary, Ladysmith (2018)
- Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes, Fond du Lac (2018)
- Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration, La Crosse (2018)
- Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters, Sinsinawa (2018)
- Racine Dominican Sisters, Racine (2022)



Mission Statement

- The Wisconsin Religious Collaborative exists to provide a sustainable membership organization that promotes good stewardship by sharing resources and professional expertise in finance, management, pastoral care, governance, and other areas in order to sustain mission and meet the needs of individual religious institutes in Wisconsin and their members.
- It is our hope that developing a structure to foster collaboration in internal governance and management functions will allow leaders and members to give their energy, time, and attention to mission.



Assumptions

- Consecrated life is changing
- New circumstances need new responses
- Collaboration will strengthen consecrated life
- Varying levels of participation based on need
- Participation based on realities of each institute
- Spirit-led transitions call for proactive planning
- Transitions happen in different time frames
- Today's responses have their time and place / not forever



Anticipated Benefits

- Assistance for needed services
- Good stewardship of resources
- Networking
- Opportunities to share resources
- Possible outsourcing of services
- Support for autonomy of member institutes
- Leaders freed to focus on community life and ministry



Services Available to Members

- Governance models and future exploration
- Administrative staffing, management models, and tools
- Legacy planning resources
- Pastoral care / Mental health resources
- Ongoing formation programming
- Health care agency, fleet management, IT collectives
- Archives standards and best practices, long-term planning
- Community assessment visits / conversations



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