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- *What is the future of consecrated life in the United States?*
- *What will religious institutes and societies of apostolic life look like?*
- *What new lay movements and associations of the faithful are emerging?*

Hints of the answers to these and other questions can be found in CARA's latest directory of new and emerging communities of consecrated life and lay movements in the United States. The directory explores characteristics of 159 existing communities that have been established in the United States since 1965 and provides information about their mission, spiritual traditions, and lifestyle practices. It looks at trends in the communities that have survived.

The Directory is divided into two main sections:

Statistical overview summarizes:

- *Community types and canonical status*
- *Spiritual traditions*
- *Lifestyle practices*
- *Mission and apostolate*
- *Location and affiliation*
- *Membership growth and decline*

Individual entries include:

- *Name of community and contact information*
- *Canonical status*
- *Spiritual tradition*
- *Lifestyle practices (common life, vows, habit)*
- *Numbers in membership and formation*
- *Mission and charism*

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