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Ms Duff works for full engagement of the positive power of local faith actors for the common good. She serves as an advisor to faith groups, and to governmental and private organizations seeking to enhance global and local faith engagement on community development and humanitarian issues. Recent focal areas include Gender, Climate Change, WASH, People on the Move, and principles of effective partnerships. She co-moderated the working groups on Partnership (2022) and Gender Equality (2021) for the [17 Rooms project](#), supported by the Rockefeller Foundation and Brookings institution. She served as Senior Advisor for March 2022 [Women Leading Change conference](#) focusing on advancing gender equality in faith contexts. She currently serves as Chair of the Board [for A World of Neighbors](#), an interreligious cross sectoral peer to peer support network for practitioners in Europe working with and for people on the move

In 2012 she co-founded [the Joint Learning Initiative on Faith and Local Communities](#) which she served as CEO until 2020, and continues as a member of its Leadership Council. In 2008, she co-founded the Center for Interfaith Action on Global Poverty at Washington National Cathedral. Previously, she led the Cathedral's global poverty program as Managing Director of the Center for Global Justice and Reconciliation. In 2008, she co-convened the Women, Faith and Development Alliance. In 1991 she co-founded the [Community Council for the Homeless at Friendship Place](#). Previously she led the Campaign for New Community focused on social inclusion, and served for many years with Hospice Care DC. Ms Duff holds graduate degrees in Clinical Psychology (University College Dublin) and in Epidemiology (Columbia University, New York) She is a Visiting Research Fellow at Trinity College Dublin, a member of the US Council on Foreign Relations.

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