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The Catholic Foundation of North Georgia is pleased to announce the following 2015 Spring Grant awards: ATLANTA—According to Nancy Coveny, executive director, The Catholic Foundation of North Georgia issued 45 grants totaling \$177,000 for the 2015 Spring cycle. These grants will support the Catholic Community through a variety of causes within the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

General Spring Grant Awards

The Catholic Foundation's Board of Directors awarded and approved 34 General Grants from several funds as shown below:

All Embrace, Inc., Alpharetta - \$2,000 from the Goizueta Fund to help fund the production of materials to train clergy and lay ministers to serve and offer comfort to grieving families who have lost an infant child.

Archdiocese of Atlanta Office of Archives and Records and Archdiocese of Atlanta Metropolitan Tribunal, Smyrna - \$7,500 from the General Fund to purchase a desktop microfilm reader and scanner in order to scan microfilmed case files that have deteriorated.

Asian American Resource Foundation, Duluth - \$2,000 from the Community Services Fund to support the Homeless Single Mother Empowerment Program which teaches skills to help increase their ability to compete in the economy.

Atlanta Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women, Smyrna - \$2,000 from the Goizueta Fund to fund day of training by the National Council of Catholic Women's Leadership Training Development team.

Atlanta Children's Shelter, Inc., Atlanta - \$2,500 from the Community Services Fund to partner with Samaritan Counseling Center of Atlanta to provide mental health counseling to parents enrolled in the Early Childhood Education Program.

Blessed Trinity Catholic High School, Roswell - \$30,000 from the Conrads Fund to construct an additional structure for the Fine Arts Wing that will be used to design, create, build and store sets used in school productions.

C5 Georgia Youth Foundation, Atlanta - \$2,000 from the Community Services Fund to support Georgia's Road to College tours, a formative experience for students to visit colleges in the southeast and help receive guidance from counselors, financial aid experts and students.

Catholic Charities Atlanta, Smyrna - \$5,000 from the General fund to provide financial counseling and housing for metro Atlanta seniors to help protect them from scams and foreclosure. Services will be offered in both English and Spanish.

Christ Our Hope Catholic Church, Lithonia - \$2,000 from the Goizueta Fund to support year round mentoring and activities for children and teens in the parish and the surrounding community to promote positive character, academics, and service to others.

Community Assistance League, Sandy Springs - \$2,500 from the Community Services Fund to help fund the Emergency Assistance Program to help vulnerable neighbors stay in their home by providing assistance to pay rent or utilities.

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School, Atlanta - \$20,000 from the Conrads Fund to purchase buses to transport students to and from their Corporate Work Study jobs and to school events.

Fragile Kids Foundation, Atlanta - \$2,000 from the Community Services Fund to purchase a Convaid Pediatric Stroller/wheelchair to use as a loaner to families in need.

Good Samaritan Health Center, Atlanta - \$2,000 from the Community Services Fund to support the operating budget to help the center continue offering quality health care services to needy individuals in the community at no cost or at a reduced cost.

Jesuit Collaborative, Atlanta - \$2,000 from the Goizueta Fund to help the expand the Contemplative Leaders in Action program which helps people discern God's will in their lives, and help shape a positive environment in their places of employment.

Mercy Senior Care, Rome - \$3,000 from the Nellie Dodd McAdams and Community Services Fund to support the general operations of Mercy Senior Care's core adult day health program to assist individuals who would otherwise be unable to live independently at home or with family.

Mike McCoy Ministries, Jefferson - \$1,250 from the General and Goizueta Funds to support financial support for the Catholic Student Outreach Program that supports students in examining how their faith fits into their lives and can help them make better decisions.

Notre Dame Academy, Duluth - \$13,000 from the Conrads Fund to pilot a bus transportation program that would expand the accessibility of the school from the Prince of Peace Parish to Notre Dame Academy.

Portal de Salud, Inc., Our Lady of the Americas Catholic Mission, Lilburn - \$2,600 from the Community Services Fund to provide screenings and facilitate access to private and government resources and healthcare services at a special health fair to be held at Our Lady of the Americas Catholic Mission.

Pregnancy Resource Center of Walton, Loganville - \$2,000 from the Archbishop John F. Donoghue and General Funds to fund ultrasound training for nurses.

Sophia Academy, Atlanta - \$5,000 from the Conrads Fund to purchase new furniture, technology, curriculum, and supplies for the first 12th grade class at the school.

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic School, Kennesaw - \$7,000 from the Conrads Fund to purchase a server and streaming video system to provide visual opportunities for learning in the classroom.

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Cartersville - \$2,500 from the Goizueta Fund to support ongoing English as a second Language classes offered at the church for parishioners and others in the community.

St. George Catholic Church, Newnan - \$1,150 from the General Fund to purchase computers for the Parish School of Religion, to bring technology and innovation to the classes.

St. John Bosco Academy, Cumming - \$15,000 from the Conrads Fund to cover architect design fees and begin construction of a new school building for future and existing students due to increased enrollment.

St. Jude Catholic Church, Atlanta - \$1,500 from the General Fund for a Catechist Formation Day to train catechists throughout the Archdiocese as they prepare for their ministry in the upcoming school year.

St. Jude the Apostle School, Atlanta - \$10,000 from the Conrads Fund for additional staff training and program development for the STREAM program (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts, and Math) that was recently launched.

St. Katherine Drexel Mission, Trenton - \$1,500 from the General Fund to help the youth of parish attend the Steubenville Atlanta Conference and help draw others to youth ministry.

St. Monica Catholic Church, Duluth - \$2,500 from the Goizueta Fund to assist in the purchase and installation of equipment and services required to broadcast 98.1 ABLAZE Faith and Fire Radio.

St. Patrick Catholic Church, Norcross - \$2,000 from the Goizueta Fund to help cover the costs for youth to attend the 2015 Abbey Fest at St. Joseph Abbey and Seminary in Covington, Louisiana.

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia, Chamblee - \$5,000 from the Goizueta and Community Services Funds to support the general operating costs of Vincentian Formation at the new Lakewood Family Support Center.

The Community School, Decatur - \$2,000 from the Community Services Fund to support the school program and curriculum for adolescents with Autism and provide support to the young adults in the Transition Program focusing on life skills.

The Place of Forsyth County, Cumming - \$2,000 from the Community Services Fund to support the Direct Emergency Financial Assistance and Food Pantry Program which provides services for low income and homeless families living in Forsyth County.

Visiting Nurse Health System, Atlanta - \$2,000 from the Community Services Fund to support hospice care for economically disadvantaged families. Patients range from young children to the elderly.

Wellspring Living, Inc., Atlanta - \$2,500 from the Community Services Fund to provide residential and therapeutic services plus educational programs for survivors of sexual exploitation and trafficking.

Parish Enrichment Grant Awards

The Catholic Foundation's Pastors Advisory Council awarded and approved eleven Parish Enrichment Grants from the General Fund:

Basilica Of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Atlanta - \$1,000 to expand the youth catechetical programs for outreach and to fund the production of evangelization materials to reach unchurched Catholics.

Christ Our King and Savior Catholic Church, Greensboro - \$1,000 to help start a Lifeteen program for the high school youth of the parish.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, Atlanta - \$1,000 to provide grief share program training and establish a ministry called Stepping Stones as a ministry to bereaved parishioners.

Mary Our Queen Catholic Church, Peachtree Corners - \$1,000 to expand the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program to Level II (ages 6-8) for the children that will be moving up and out of Level I (ages 3-5).

Queen of Angels Church, Thomson - \$1,000 to replace the church signage. The renovation will improve the appearance and visibility of the sign.

St. Bernadette Catholic Church, Cedartown - \$1,000 to purchase new tables and chairs for the religious education program in order to provide a safe, clean, and inviting learning environment.

St. Gerard Majella Catholic Church, Ft. Oglethorpe - \$1,000 to construct a bridge across a wetland so disabled persons have direct access to Parish offices.

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church, McDonough - \$500 to help purchase new playground equipment for the Parish preschool to replace the current unsafe equipment.

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Toccoa - \$500 to fund a youth retreat "Summon Vado" for Confirmation candidates and to facilitate a faith program for the youth.

St. Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church, Snellville - \$1,000 to purchase equipment for sensory needs to enable disabled members of the community to attend retreats and missions with the Faith and Light ministry.

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, Alpharetta - \$1,000 to purchase Ipads for religious education instruction to support students with special needs and incorporate interactive technology.

The next deadline for the General and Parish Enrichment grant programs is 5:00 PM on Wednesday, September 30, 2015. To receive the current application, please email the Foundation at grants@cfnga.org. One application per organization or archdiocesan department may be submitted via email, fax or mail.