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Catholic Foundation of North Georgia announces 2016 Fall Grant Awards

ATLANTA—The Catholic Foundation of North Georgia issued 44 grants totaling \$104,100 for the 2016 Fall grant cycle from the Care for the Elderly Fund, Community Services Fund, General Fund, Goizueta Fund, and the Satzky Family Fund. Nancy Coveny, executive director, announced that these grants will support the Catholic community through a variety of causes within the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

The Catholic Foundation attracts, professionally manages, and invests gifts to support the current and long-term financial needs of parishes, schools, charities and other ministries to help them achieve their missions. The foundation accepts grant applications and makes grant awards twice yearly.

General Fall Grant Awards

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

Archdiocese of Atlanta - Eucharistic Congress, Atlanta: \$5,000 to sponsor the 2017 Eucharistic Congress

Archdiocese of Atlanta - Office of Formation & Discipleship, Smyrna: \$2,500 to help cover the cost of producing a video for youth minister and core team training.

Catholic Charities Atlanta, Smyrna: \$5,000 to support the Parent Talk Program, working with women and families to prevent child abuse and neglect.

Christ Our Hope Catholic Church, Lithonia: \$5,000 to help replace a malfunctioning air conditioning unit at the parish.

Christian City Home for Children, Union City: \$2,000 to assist with expenses for The Children's Village.

Community Helping Place, Dahlonega: \$3,000 to purchase food for the Community Helping Food Pantry and Summer Food Program to help Lumpkin County families in need.

Cool Girls, Atlanta: \$2,000 to help with expenses for the Girls Club, "Unplugged".

Decatur Cooperative Ministry, Decatur: \$2,500 to provide operating support to housing programs for homeless families.

Divino Nino Jesus Catholic Mission, Duluth: \$2,000 to help landscape the church grounds.

Eagle Ranch, Chestnut Mountain: \$2,500 to help overcome academic deficits by focusing on individualized education.

El Refugio Ministry, Decatur: \$2,000 to help cover rent and expenses at the hospitality house near the Stewart Detention Center.

Elaine Clark Center, Chamblee: \$2,500 for scholarships to families in financial need.

Family Promise of NewRock, Conyers: \$2,000 for help with expenses including family education, life skills training, job hunting, and facility and van maintenance.

Georgia State University Foundation for Project Healthy Grandparents, Atlanta: \$2,600 to support operating needs for the fiscal year 2017.

Life Teen, Inc., Atlanta: \$2,000 to help build a second lane to the High Adventure Ropes Course at Camp Covecrest.

Mercy Housing Southeast, Atlanta: \$3,000 to support family and youth programs at two low-income multi-family properties in Lithonia.

Mercy Senior Care, Rome: \$3,000 to obtain materials, certification and training as a qualified music and memory therapy agency, and to support the Adult Day Health program.

Midtown Assistance Center, Atlanta: \$3,000 to help provide assistance for lower-income working parents who are experiencing a temporary financial crisis.

Our Lady of LaSalette Catholic Church, Canton: \$5,000 to help fund a new program of evangelization centered on the "Alpha" program.

Post Abortion Treatment Healing (P.A.T.H.), Atlanta: \$2,000 to provide Rachel's Vineyard retreat scholarships to military veterans, and provide for travel expenses to educate military communities about PATH's retreat program.

Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church, Washington: \$5,000 to support construction expenses for Phase II of restorations to the church built in 1883.

Queen of Angels Catholic School, Roswell: \$1,000 to purchase and install a "Guardian Bench" on the playground.

Rainbow Village, Duluth: \$5,000 towards the construction of two additional apartment buildings in Rainbow Village.

Sophia Academy, Atlanta: \$2,500 to help purchase interactive projectors for classrooms.

St. Joseph Catholic Church -Equip Athens, Athens: \$2,500 to help subsidize the expenses for hosting community and service events for the young adult ministry called Equip Athens.

St. Mary Mother of God Catholic Church, Jackson: \$3,500 to help purchase a new Altar for the church.

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Woodstock: \$1,000 to supply Wi-Fi in the new meeting rooms.

St. Peter the Rock Catholic Church, The Rock: \$2,000 to help provide religious education materials for youth and adults, and to help cover building maintenance repairs.

St. Philip Benizi Catholic Church, Jonesboro: \$5,000 to help repair the St. Vincent de Paul building, including repairs to roof insulation and refrigeration units.

St. Pius X Catholic Church, Conyers: \$2,000 to complete the audio/visual technology upgrade for enhancing education programs, and to purchase security equipment.

St. Vincent de Paul Conference of Christ Redeemer Catholic Church, Dawsonville: \$1,000 to help provide food, and help supplement rental and utility bills for SVdP Dawson County.

Wellspring Living, Atlanta: \$2,500 towards costs for The Girls Residential Program for victims of domestic minor sex trafficking.

Youth In Mission, Marietta: \$1,500 to support scholarship funds for youth in the Atlanta Archdiocese who do not have resources to attend mission trips.

YouthSpark, Atlanta: \$1,000 to help fund The Emergency & Individual Client Assistance program.

Parish Enrichment Grant Awards

The Catholic Foundation's Pastors Advisory Council awarded and approved 10 parish enrichment grants:

Christ Our Hope Catholic Church, Lithonia: \$1,000 to support the Generation Hope Youth program which conducts youth development, cross-cultural, and community services activities for positive impact on the youth and the Lithonia community.

Divino Nino Jesus Catholic Mission, Duluth: \$1,000 to purchase tables and chairs for the Catechism and ministries classrooms.

Holy Family Catholic Church, Marietta: \$1,000 to help purchase The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program, a new faith formation program for preschoolers, including the purchase of needed children's furniture.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church, Hartwell: \$1,000 to refurbish the Ladies and Men's restrooms near the sanctuary.

St. Andrew Catholic Church, Roswell: \$1,000 to purchase ten sets of walkie talkies used by the preschool and faith formation staff to ensure child and public safety.

St. Bernadette's Catholic Church, Cedartown: \$1,000 to purchase a new refrigerator to store food for parish functions.

St. Gabriel Catholic Church, Fayetteville: \$1,000 to assist in building a community garden. The harvested food supply will be donated to families in need.

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Rome: \$1,000 for bi-lingual leadership program materials to support the youth ministry and faith formation office in better serving the Parish community.

St. Pius X Catholic Church, Conyers: \$1,000 for new plastic covers for the missals and hymnals.

St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Decatur: \$1,000 to subsidize the cost of Ignatian retreats and other formation for parish lay leaders, staff, Parish Council and Finance Council members.

The next deadline of the General and Parish Enrichment grant programs is 5 p.m. on Friday, March 31, 2017. 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.

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HOW TO APPLY FOR A GRANT

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