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Catholic Foundation of North Georgia announces spring 2020 grant awards

The Catholic Foundation of North Georgia issued 55 grants totaling \$213,000 for the 2020 competitive spring grant cycle. These grants will support the Catholic community through a variety of causes within the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

The grants program at the Catholic Foundation helps ensure that organizations in the community have the financial resources to serve and make a real difference – now and in the future. The Grants Program reflects what is important in the Catholic faith and is guided by Catholic social teaching and the Archdiocesan Pastoral Plan.

The Grants Program directly impacts non-profits, parishes and schools serving the general community within the boundaries of the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

Grants are distributed in the areas of:

- Catholic social teaching and works of mercy
- Catholic school education
- Growing our Catholic faith

Catholic Community spring grant awards

The Catholic Foundation's Board of Directors awarded and approved the 45 Catholic Community grants below.

Atlanta Mission, Atlanta: \$3,000 to provide critical resources and services to men struggling with addiction and/or homelessness at The Potter's House.

Catholic Center at Georgia Tech, Atlanta: \$2,000 to help cover the cost of missionaries from Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS) next year at Georgia Tech.

Christ Our Hope Catholic Church, Lithonia: \$3,000 to support the food pantry and ongoing children and youth development activities.

Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church, Dawsonville: \$1,500 to assist St. Vincent de Paul clients with temporary housing to help prevent evictions from their homes.

Community Farmers Markets Inc (CFM), Atlanta: \$1,600 to help fund a farmers market delivery system to residents of Branan Towers, a senior housing facility.

Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Stone Mountain: \$2,000 to update ESL classrooms with better technology and interactive books.

Cristo Rey Atlanta Jesuit High School, Atlanta: \$10,000 to renovate the existing Media Center, add study space and technological resources.

Crossroads Community Ministries, Inc., Atlanta: \$3,600 to assist low-income and homeless individuals with essential services such as food and healthcare.

Decatur Cooperative Ministry, Decatur: \$4,500 to provide individuals with transitional housing to help achieve long term housing stability.

East Atlanta Kids Club, Atlanta: \$1,000 to help provide food and supplies to low-income southeast Atlanta families resulting from the COVID-19 crisis.

Families of Children under Stress, Inc. (dba FOCUS + Fragile Kids), Atlanta: \$3,500 to fund an electric stair lift for a 9 year old with a rare genetic syndrome who is confined to a wheelchair.

Holy Name of Jesus Chinese Catholic Mission, Norcross: \$2,500 to help replace deteriorated concrete flumes and surrounding areas in the parking lot that drain rainwater into the detention pond.

Holy Redeemer Catholic School, Johns Creek: \$15,000 to purchase new ViewSonic Boards and integrated laptops for classrooms.

HOPE Atlanta, Atlanta: \$5,000 to help homeless individuals with housing and emergency services.

Hope thru Soap, Inc., Atlanta: \$2,000 to distribute food and hygiene bags to the homeless in downtown Atlanta and the Gwinnett County area.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School, Atlanta: \$9,000 to help purchase a sound system for theater, band, and chorus use.

Loving Arms Cancer Outreach (LACO), Marietta: \$2,000 to provide crisis financial assistance programs to people suffering with cancer.

Metro Atlanta Recovery Residences, Doraville: \$2,000 to assist with housing and support to homeless and low-income women facing drug and alcohol addiction and their children.

Midtown Assistance Center, Atlanta: \$5,000 to help pay rent and prevent families facing eviction from losing their housing.

NETworks Coopertive Ministry, Inc., Tucker: \$4,000 to provide emergency assistance for food and basic needs to Tucker area low-income and homeless neighbors.

No One Alone, Dahlonega: \$2,500 to repair damage in the shelter bathroom caused by a major leak.

North Fulton Community Charities, Roswell: \$5,000 to supplement funds for individuals and families experiencing a medical crisis, or chronic/terminal illness.

Northeast Georgia Care Inc dba Choices Pregnancy Care Center, Gainesville: \$1,000 to purchase baby equipment (cribs, strollers, highchairs, gates, etc.) for the "My Baby Counts" program.

Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church, Brookhaven: \$2,000 for a Hispanic Baptism Parent pilot course and program to help other parishes provide immigrant parents catechesis, education and development resources.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic School, Tyrone: \$6,500 to begin a STREAM center in the computer lab.

Prevent Blindness Georgia, Sandy Springs: \$2,000 to vision screen 3-5 year olds, primary school age children at Title 1 Schools, Head Starts, as well as public and private pre-schools.

Rainbow Village, Duluth: \$2,500 for general operating funds to prevent and overcome homelessness.

Revved Up Kids, Peachtree Corners: \$2,000 to provide sexual abuse prevention training workshops to low income children and teens in the Atlanta area.

Right in the Community, Atlanta: \$3,500 to help provide emergency funding for increased utility bills due to the COVID-19 quarantine.

Ser Familia, Acworth: \$2,000 to provide basic needs and services, utilities, rent, and food.

Sheltering Arms Early Education and Childcare Centers, Atlanta: \$2,000 to help provide critical items such as diapers, wipes, formula, food, and other household essentials for the emergency distribution program.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Georgia, Atlanta: \$10,000 to supplement the emergency financial assistance efforts of St. Vincent de Paul Georgia's 72 conferences.

Southwest Christian Hospice Inc, Union City: \$2,900 to assist with the Hospice program which provides home health services, spiritual care, on-call nursing, family patient care training, and other services.

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Atlanta: \$2,500 to purchase a commercial grade refrigerator and freezer for the Feeding the Homeless Ministry.

St. John the Evangelist Catholic School, Hapeville: \$7,500 to help replace outdated Chromebooks used for classroom instruction and assignments.

St. Joseph Catholic School, Athens, Athens: \$5,500 to acquire technology for the new STREAM lab including invention kits and robots.

St. Joseph Catholic School, Marietta, Marietta: \$5,500 to provide materials and technology for the new PreK-4 Program.

St. Lawrence Catholic Church, Lawrenceville: \$1,500 to buy materials needed to create presentations for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd formation program for young children.

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Toccoa: \$2,000 to purchase a subscription to Formed.

St. Mary's Independent Living Extensions (SMILE), Lawrenceville: \$2,400 to help purchase laptops to stream online programs during the quarantine and aid in caring for their clients in their care homes.

St. Matthew Catholic Church, Tyrone: \$4,000 to help build a greenhouse and chicken coop to help maintain a year round garden for the community.

St. Peter Claver Regional Catholic School, Decatur: \$11,000 to establish a Smart Lab program in which students explore STEM and media arts through applied technology.

St. Pius X Catholic High School, Atlanta: \$30,000 to assist with the the Capital Campaign plans to make campus security upgrades.

StepByStep Recovery, Inc., Lawrenceville: \$3,000 to help with maintenance and repairs needed in the housing units.

Young Catholic Professionals--Atlanta Chapter Startup, Dallas: \$2,000 to help cover costs associated with the launch of an Atlanta Chapter startup by the end of 2020.

Parish enrichment grant awards

The Catholic Foundation's Pastors Advisory Council made the award recommendation for 10 parish enrichment grants to the Foundation's Board for approval. These grants help meet needs that the pastor has identified as meaningful.

Good Samaritan Catholic Church, Ellijay: \$1,000 to provide audio/visual equipment for classrooms.

Holy Name of Jesus Chinese Catholic Mission, Norcross: \$1,000 to fund a structured program to help non-English speakers in document translation and assistance in completing application forms for driver licenses, US citizenship, court cases, etc.

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, Kennesaw: \$1,000 to help start a young adult ministry to provide programming for the young adults of the parish and surrounding parishes.

St. George Catholic Church, Newnan: \$1,000 to purchase 50 chapel chairs with kneelers.

St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Church, Sandy Springs: \$1,000 to offer an informational seminar on planning ahead for the end of life with proper documents and knowledge of Catholic moral teachings to respect the sanctity and dignity of life.

St. Marguerite D'Youville Catholic Church, Lawrenceville: \$1,000 to provide new sound amplifiers and speakers for the music ministry and choir.

St. Mary, Mother of God Catholic Church, Jackson: \$1,000 to purchase curriculum for middle school to enrich their faith with extracurricular activities.

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Toccoa: \$1,000 to purchase computers and an office printer for priest and office personnel.

St. Philip Benizi Catholic Church, Jonesboro: \$1,000 to replace outdated / non-functioning TV's with smart TV's in 5 locations to more effectively reach children and adults in the Religious Ed and ESL programs.

Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Decatur: \$1,000 to support the annual Vacation Bible School to promote and stimulate in the youth the importance of a strong and grounded Catholic faith.

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HOW TO APPLY

Visit www.cfnga.org for the current application and important changes to the grants process in 2021.

Online applications open **August 1, 2020** at <https://www.cfnga.org/grants/> for the **Catholic Community and Parish Enrichment *Fall Grant* programs**. The **deadline** is 5 p.m. on Monday, August 31.

One application per organization or archdiocesan department may be submitted online.

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About the Catholic Foundation of North Georgia

The Catholic Foundation of North Georgia helps Catholics make a lasting difference in the community. We attract, professionally manage and invest gifts to support the long-term financial needs of parishes, schools, charities, and other ministries.

Our vision is to ensure the Catholic community and its ministries have the financial resources to serve and make a difference in the lives of current and future generations. More information is available at www.cfnga.org.