



## PARISH ENRICHMENT GRANT GUIDELINES

### PURPOSE:

- The Catholic Foundation's Board of Directors has allocated funding in each grant cycle (February and August) to assist pastors with small projects or programs within their parishes.
- Each Parish Enrichment Grant award is \$1,000, and is awarded to one parish or mission in each of the ten deaneries.
- If your current need exceeds \$1,000, you may apply for a Catholic Community Grant during the fall grant cycle.
- Please note that the Catholic Foundation does not make grants to parishes for capital or debt reduction campaigns.

### PASTORS ADVISORY COUNCIL:

- The Pastors Advisory Council consists of pastor representatives from each of the ten deaneries. The Council chair also serves on the Foundation's Board of Directors. In addition to serving as a vehicle for communication between pastors and the Catholic Foundation, the Pastors Advisory Council recommends the Parish Enrichment Grant awards to the Board of Directors for approval.
- Decisions are prioritized based on need, the effect on the community, and whenever possible, even distribution among the ten deaneries.

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- The online application will be available at [www.cfnga.org/grants](http://www.cfnga.org/grants) during the spring and fall open grant cycles.
- Register in the grants portal and log in to complete the online application.
- Each application must include:
  - A signed cover letter from your pastor.
  - A project/program budget.

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS – GRANT RECIPIENTS:

- Complete a grant agreement and a follow-up grant report.
  - Spring grants must submit reports online by February 15th of the following year.
  - Fall grants must submit reports online by July 30th of the following year.

- If you have not submitted the grant reports for any previous Catholic Foundation grants, you will be ineligible for a Parish Enrichment Grant.

#### **GRANT CYCLES:**

- Effective 2021, there will only be one grant cycle per year for Catholic Community Grants in the fall.
- Parish Enrichment Grant applications will still be accepted during the spring and fall cycles.
- The Spring Grant 2021 cycle will accept applications from Catholic Schools only.

#### **NEXT STEPS:**

- You will receive a confirmation email within two days that your application has been received. If you do not receive a confirmation, please contact the Catholic Foundation at 404-497-9440 or email [grants@cfnga.org](mailto:grants@cfnga.org).
- The Pastors Advisory Council reviews the requests and makes recommendations to the Board for final approvals.
- Grant award information will be communicated to the parish following the May and November Board of Directors meetings.

*For further questions or more information, email [grants@cfnga.org](mailto:grants@cfnga.org) or call the Catholic Foundation at 404.497.9440.*

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