



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 (formerly called a General Grant).
- 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 only during the open grant cycle.
- Register in the grants portal and log in to complete the online application.
- Please include a signed cover letter from your pastor and the 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:

- 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 or call Sharon Adams at 404.497.9440.

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