



Parish Enrichment Grant Guidelines

Purpose

- The Catholic Foundation's Board of Directors has allocated funding in each grant cycle (spring and fall) to assist pastors with small projects or programs within their parishes.
- Each Parish Enrichment Grant award is \$1,000. Beginning in the fall 2022 cycle, 10 grants will be awarded by project and need within each deanery and 10 grants will be awarded based on project and need without regard to deaneries.
- If your current need exceeds \$1,000, you may apply for a Catholic Community Grant, which can be larger than \$1,000.
- 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 Chair of the Council 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 distribution across the archdiocese.

Application Requirements

- The online application will be available at cfnga.org/grants only while the grant cycle is open.
- 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.
- If you have not submitted the grant reports for any previous Catholic Foundation grants, you will be ineligible to receive a grant.

Additional Requirements for Grant Recipients

- Sign and return the grant agreement you receive. Once the Catholic Foundation has your signed grant agreement, the grant award will be sent.
- Submit a grant Follow Up Report by the deadline. Failure to submit a report will make your parish ineligible for future grant awards.



- Spring grant recipients must submit reports online by February 15th of the following year.
- Fall grant recipients must submit reports online by July 30th of the following year.

Grant Cycles

- Parish Enrichment Grant applications will be accepted during the spring and fall grant cycles.
- Parishes may apply for Catholic Community Grants in the fall grant cycle. (The Catholic Community Grants cycle in the spring is only for Catholic schools.)

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.

When should I expect to hear back regarding the final decision?

The Pastors Advisory Council meets in May and November to discuss and make recommendations for the Parish Enrichment Grants. The Board of Directors meets in late May and late November to approve grant awards. You will be notified of the Board's decision following their meeting. Refer to the **Grant Process** on the [grants page](#) for the timelines for Parish Enrichment Grants and Catholic Community Grants.

- For the spring grant cycle, applicants are usually notified in June.
- For the fall grant cycle, applicants are usually notified in December.

For further questions or more information, email grants@cfnga.org or call Sharon Adams at 404.497.9440.

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