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Catholic Foundation of North Georgia Announces Fall 2023 Catholic Community Grant Awards

The Catholic Foundation's Board of Directors awarded and approved 104 Catholic Community Grants totaling \$268,400 for the fall grant cycle. Funding for these grants is provided by 11 endowment funds designated for various charitable fields of interest. An anonymous donor with a donor advised fund at the Catholic Foundation also contributed to these grants. Grants are awarded under three grant priorities: Catholic School Education, Catholic Social Teaching and Works of Mercy, and Growing Our Catholic Faith.

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. Through the stewardship and growth of the funds, grants are made to support the nonprofits, parishes, and schools serving the general community within the boundaries of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. To support these funds and help provide more grants, visit cfnga.org/give.

Adult Disability Medical Healthcare, Atlanta: \$2,000 to provide healthcare for people with disabilities.

Archdiocese of Atlanta - Office of Communications, Atlanta: \$5,000 to provide scholarships for parish and mission employees to attend the 2024 Catholic Media Conference in Atlanta.

Atlanta Catholic Radio, The Quest, Atlanta: \$6,000 to partially fund the purchase of studio equipment required for a new Spanish language station.

Bearings Bike Works, Atlanta: \$2,000 to help fund the Skills for Life youth development program.

BeLoved Atlanta, Atlanta: \$2,000 to provide restoration services to women surviving trafficking and forced prostitution.

BCM Georgia, Atlanta: \$2,500 to support the Emergency Assistance Program, which annually helps more than 3,500 individuals avoid eviction and utility cut-offs.

Camp Kudzu, Atlanta: \$2,000 to provide scholarship funds for underserved diabetic youth to attend a Camp Kudzu program to learn skills for managing their disease.

Camp to Belong - Georgia, Young Harris: \$2,000 to expand Sibling Connection Events for foster kids with added supplies for the overnight weekend holiday camp.

Camp Trach Me Away, Atlanta: \$2,000 to provide medical "Go Bags" packs for campers.

Camp Twin Lakes, Atlanta: \$2,000 to fund the costs of a therapeutic, overnight weekend program for 10 individuals with disabilities.

Cancer Navigators, Rome: \$2,500 to provide gas cards and liquid nutrition to cancer patients in active treatment in northwest Georgia to give them the opportunity to fight cancer.

Cathedral of Christ the King, Atlanta: \$1,000 to underwrite professional behavioral health at Holy Family Counseling Center for those referred from the Stephen Ministry program.

Catholic Center at Emory University, Atlanta: \$3,000 to provide resources for students in RCIA, upgrade the thermostats for the HVAC system, and replace old computers and a printer.

Catholic Center at Georgia Tech, Atlanta: \$3,500 to help subsidize the cost of the FOCUS missionaries campus fee.

Catholic Center at Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw: \$2,000 to purchase marketing materials for campus outreach at Kennesaw State University and Berry College.

Catholic Center at the University of Georgia, Athens: \$2,400 to upgrade the AV system, which operates the livestream and projects songs on screens.

Catholic Charities of Atlanta (CCA), Smyrna: \$5,000 to prevent child abuse/neglect and improve family safety and well-being through parental education, counseling, and other supportive services.

Catholic Charities of Atlanta (CCA), Smyrna: \$6,000 to connect older veterans and their families with critical services and resources, helping them to improve their lives and accomplish their goals.

Catholic Church of the Transfiguration, Marietta: \$2,000 to purchase a portable translation system.

Central Outreach and Advocacy Center, Atlanta: \$2,500 to support people experiencing homelessness to obtain IDs, find employment, and provide other essential services.

Champions Community Foundation, Johns Creek: \$2,500 to empower young adults with physical disabilities to reach their potential for independence and belonging.

Christ Child Society of Atlanta, Marietta: \$2,000 to support program literacy efforts from birth through high school.

Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church, Dawsonville: \$2,000 to help the St. Vincent de Paul Conference alleviate evictions through rent assistance and temporary lodging to families/persons.

Christian City, Union City: \$2,400 to provide transportation for seniors to medical, grocery, and other appointments.

C-Legs Summer Internship Program, Cumming: \$2,000 to support operation costs for the mission of equipping Catholic college students to be productive and compelling employees.

Clubhouse Atlanta, Dunwoody: \$2,000 to fund programs that assist adults with mental illness in employment or educational goals.

Community Assistance Center, Atlanta: \$2,500 to support the Emergency Assistance program.

ConnectAbility, Dahlonega: \$2,000 to support Sidekicks community events, which provide support services for caregivers and people with physical, intellectual, and developmental disabilities.

Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Stone Mountain: \$4,000 to help pay for a major renovation of the parish kitchen used to serve the community meals.

Covenant House Georgia, Atlanta: \$2,700 to strengthen efforts to provide comprehensive support services for youth experiencing homelessness and escaping trafficking.

Crossroads Community Ministries, Atlanta: \$2,500 to support the Crossroads Renewal Project which assists people experiencing homelessness to obtain IDs and to travel for employment and medical needs.

El Refugio Ministry, Hapeville: \$2,000 to provide hospitality, visitation, and other direct support services to people detained at Stewart Detention Center and their loved ones.

Essential2Life, Atlanta: \$2,000 to help support the FIFTEEN leadership and training program for at-risk youth.

Family Heritage Foundation, Stone Mountain: \$2,000 to provide afterschool programming, including meals, transport, and a support system to 40 refugee and vulnerable children in Clarkson, Georgia.

Family Promise of Athens, Athens: \$3,000 to provide childcare to families in shelter.

Family Promise of Hall County, Oakwood: \$3,000 to support general operations, helping families towards self-sufficiency and financial sustainability.

Family Promise of North Fulton & DeKalb, Roswell: \$2,500 to prevent family homelessness before it begins.

Four Corners Group, Kennesaw: \$2,000 to support the 1625 Initiative program which helps prevent youth recidivism by guiding detained youths to crime-free, thriving adulthoods.

Friends of Disabled Adults and Children (FODAC), Stone Mountain: \$2,000 to provide people with physical disabilities home medical equipment items at little to no cost.

Georgia Justice Project, Atlanta: \$2,000 to provide criminal defense representation and wraparound social services for 75 client cases in Fulton and DeKalb Counties.

Georgia Lions Camp, Waycross: \$1,600 to provide scholarships for Metro Atlanta campers to attend camping programs for the blind.

Georgians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty, Pine Lake: \$2,200 to bring an array of speakers to Georgia advocating for the sanctity of human life and abolition of the death penalty.

Giving Health, Alpharetta: \$2,000 to provide low-income uninsured residents 12 months of free telehealth coverage.

Golden Harvest Food Bank, Augusta: \$3,000 to provide emergency food for families in the counties of Lincoln, McDuffie, Warren, Hancock, Putnam, Greene, Taliaferro, Elbert, and Wilkes.

Good News at Noon, Gainesville: \$2,500 to help meet basic needs for food, clothing, and supplies for approximately 1,100 adults who are experiencing or at-risk for homelessness.

Good Samaritan Health Centers of Gwinnett, Norcross: \$2,500 to help cover the operating costs related to providing low-income and uninsured neighbors with medical and dental services.

Good Shepherd Clinic of Dawson County, Dawsonville: \$3,000 to aid in purchasing out-of-pocket medications, laboratory testing, and monitoring devices.

Great Prospects, Roswell: \$2,000 to support the Therapeutic Day Program providing social skill development, wellness programs, and life skills.

Hearts Everywhere Reaching Out for Children (HERO), Roswell: \$2,000 to defray the costs associated with the Super HEROs Mentoring program.

Helping Mamas, Norcross: \$3,000 to purchase diapers to distribute to low income families.

Holy Name of Jesus Chinese Catholic Mission, Norcross: \$2,200 to support the second Chinese Cursillo weekend next summer.

HOPE, Duluth: \$2,000 to support the Mildred Dowdley Gift of HOPE program which offers financial assistance, life skill training, and other services for low income single parents obtaining college degrees.

Ignatius House Jesuit Retreat Center, Sandy Springs: \$3,000 to support the Ignatian Spirituality Project which provides retreats for those recovering from homelessness and addiction.

Immigrant Hope Atlanta, Brookhaven: \$2,000 to provide low to no-cost immigration legal services for refugee households.

L'Arche Atlanta, Decatur: \$2,000 to fund a series of community outreach events among adults with and without developmental disabilities.

Loving Arms Cancer Outreach, Marietta: \$2,000 to provide cancer patients with health, wellness, emotional support, and financial assistance.

Mary Our Queen Catholic Church, Peachtree Corners: \$2,000 to update the Parish School of Religion classrooms.

Mercy Housing Southeast, Atlanta: \$3,000 to improve food security, increase access to health care, and reduce social isolation among residents.

Mercy Senior Care, Rome: \$5,000 to provide scholarships for individuals on MCR's Adult Day Health (ADH).

Motherhood Beyond Bars, Atlanta: \$2,500 to provide infants born to women in prison with direct aid and infant supplies.

My Sister's Place, Gainesville: \$2,000 to provide for basic needs including food, clothing, shelter, and supplies for homeless single women and mothers with children.

Next Generation Focus, Cumming: \$2,000 to aid learning recovery for at-risk and underserved youth through academic, developmental, and enrichment opportunities.

Nicholas House, Atlanta: \$4,000 to address the barriers that affect families who experience homelessness.

North Fulton Community Charities (NFCC), Roswell: \$2,500 to provide direct financial assistance to North Fulton families facing eviction, foreclosure, or utility disconnection.

Open Hand Atlanta, Atlanta: \$3,000 to aid in the health outcomes and nutrition security of socially vulnerable seniors and individuals living with chronic illness.

Our Lady of La Salette Catholic Church, Canton: \$3,000 to purchase a new camera for streaming Masses.

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Atlanta: \$3,000 to help fund priority repairs to the sanctuary and Drexel Center.

Our Lady of Vietnam Catholic Church, Riverdale: \$2,300 to support and strengthen the youth ministry program.

Peachtree Farm, Peachtree Corners: \$3,500 to fund the creation of an outdoor workspace for a vocational training program for individuals with disabilities.

Pregnancy Aid Clinic (PAC), Roswell: \$4,000 to aid the Year of Hope program, providing stable pregnancy and parenting environments for vulnerable clients.

Presencia, Brookhaven: \$2,000 to provide tutoring, mentoring, and leadership to vulnerable residents.

Project Healthy Grandparents, Atlanta: \$3,000 to strengthen grandparent-headed families by ensuring access to support services.

Rainbow Village, Duluth: \$2,500 to aid operating costs to support 100 at-risk homeless individuals annually.

Reach for Excellence, Atlanta: \$2,000 to support the cost of academic enrichment, transportation, and meals for students.

Reflections of Trinity, Powder Springs: \$2,000 to procure food for local, low-income families.

Rosary Makers Of America, Stone Mountain: \$2,500 to aid and advance rosary making and increase market access.

Second Helpings Atlanta, Atlanta: \$2,500 to help fund the Food Rescue Network.

Ser Familia, Kennesaw: \$2,000 to provide educational support, trauma services, and basic needs to Latino youth and families.

Sister Thea Bowman Black Catholic Education Foundation, Atlanta: \$2,000 to provide students academic support resources for Cristo Rey graduates attending university/college partners.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Rome: \$2,300 to purchase materials to build and deliver fully furnished twin-sized beds to kids aged 3–17 who are sleeping on the floor.

Southwest Christian Care, Union City: \$2,500 to support the hospice program.

Special Needs Cobb, Marietta: \$2,500 to cover program and operating expenses associated with the Respite Program.

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Atlanta: \$1,000 to purchase supplies and food for distribution to the homeless in the community.

St. Bernadette Catholic Church, Cedartown: \$2,500 to help pay for a retreat center for the Confirmation retreat.

St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Church, Acworth: \$3,000 to upgrade old computers and security cameras, purchase additional computers, and replace the original server.

St. George Catholic Church, Newnan: \$3,000 to offset the cost for sanctuary furniture (presider and deacon chairs and two credence tables).

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, Newnan: \$2,000 to purchase two fire-safe filing cabinets.

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Toccoa: \$8,000 to help pay to demolish the old rectory, pay for sewage lines, and to provide furniture for educational rooms.

St. Mary's Independent Living Extensions (SMILE), Lawrenceville: \$2,500 to help fund the Underfunded Client Program.

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Woodstock: \$3,000 to replace two old, non-functional HVAC units.

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, Alpharetta: \$2,300 to send middle schoolers to Camp Hidden Lake for a retreat.

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia, Atlanta: \$7,500 to support operation costs and provide no-cost prescriptions to those in need.

StandUp for Kids - Atlanta, Stone Mountain: \$2,000 to support the StandUp for Kids Mentor Program.

Star-C, Marietta: \$2,000 to support implementation of programs at six low-income housing communities in metro Atlanta to reduce student transiency and strengthen neighborhoods.

StepByStep Recovery, Lawrenceville: \$2,500 to help replace flooring, washers, and dryers in apartments.

Street Grace, Norcross: \$2,000 to support initiatives to eradicate the commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC) across Atlanta.

The Place of Forsyth, Cumming: \$2,000 to support young adults in building a better tomorrow for the community.

Top Dogg K9 Foundation, Lilburn: \$2,000 to help cover the cost of training and housing service dogs.

Trinity Community Ministries, Atlanta: \$2,000 to help pay for recovery resources and groups.

Vision Rehabilitation Services of Georgia, Smyrna: \$2,000 to provide rehabilitation for the blind and vision impaired with education and training services.

Wellstar Foundation, Marietta: \$2,000 to offer 18 scholarships for Catholic seminarians and laity pursuing Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE).

Youth in Mission, Marietta: \$1,000 to help provide more scholarships than the previous year for mission trips.

youthSpark, Atlanta: \$1,000 to provide crisis intervention and other life-saving services through the Youth Services Center and Youth Recovery Unit.

Zenith Ministries, Cumming: \$2,000 to offer scholarships for the mentorship program or online courses.

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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 cfnga.org.

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