

Catholic Foundation and Grant Program Overview

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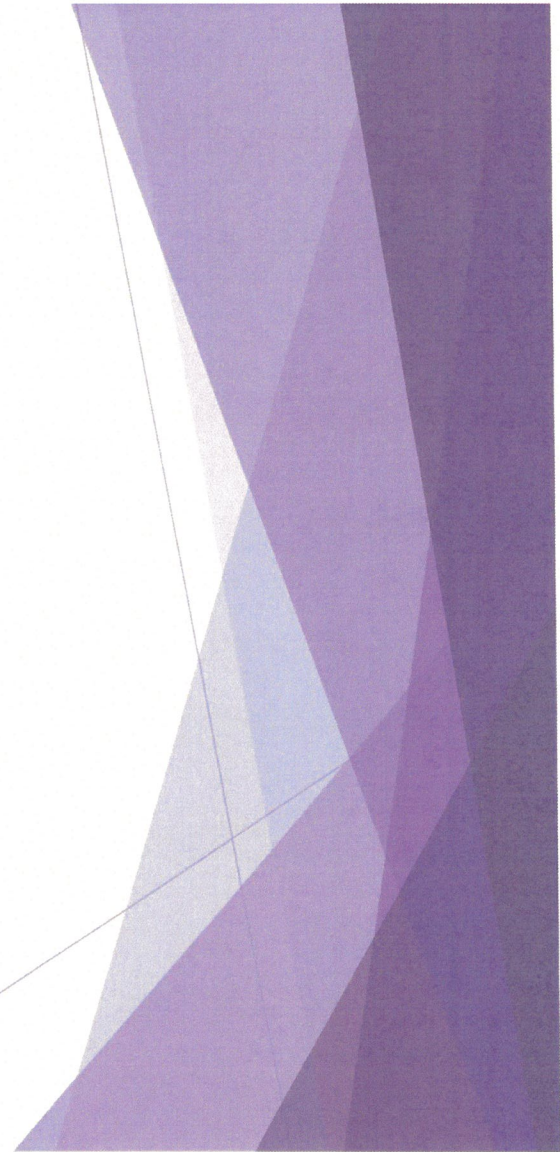
Catholic Foundation
for the Diocese of Green Bay, Inc.

What is the Catholic Foundation?

- The Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Green Bay, Inc. was established in 1997 by Bishop Robert Banks. Don and Darlene Long were initial founders, and Don served as our first Board President.
- Throughout the Foundation's history they have encouraged stewardship, Catholic endowments and investments that benefit the Diocese of Green Bay, its ministries, parishes and schools throughout northeastern Wisconsin.
- The Catholic Foundation conducts the annual Bishop's Appeal, Raising Vocations Collection and administers more than 350 endowments and funds with assets exceeding \$200 million.
- In 2025, the Catholic Foundation distributed more than \$7.5 million from funds, endowments, donor advised funds and grants. Plus, the Foundation raised more than \$6.5 million dollars for the Bishop's Appeal and close to \$600,000 for Raising Vocations.

Grants opportunities at the Catholic Foundation

- Lumen Christi Grant
- Advancing the Mission-Evangelization Grant
- Advancing the Mission-Leadership Development Grant
- Advancing the Mission-Lifelong Catechesis Grant
- *one by One* Homeless Services Grant
- *one by One* Catholic School Tuition Assistance Grant
- *one by One* Catholic School Facility Grant
- *one by One* Rural Parish Grant
- Monica Meyer Respect Life Grant
- Denis and Marie Garot Grant
- Catholic Foundation Field of Interest Grant
- Rice Bowl Grant



Helpful Hints for Grants

- Grant Application Criteria
 - Each grant opportunity has a specific purpose
 - Additional criteria upon which your application may be considered include:
 - The application advances the mission of the Church of Green Bay, meets a priority need for your organization, is collaborative with other parishes/schools/organizations and the project requested does not duplicate another program.
- Requests normally not funded
 - Books
 - Technology
 - Food & Travel
 - Capital Projects
- Timeline
 - Most applications are available October 1 – December 1 annually.
 - Applications are for projects occurring after June 1 of the following year.
 - Applications are reviewed by a Grant Advisory Committee and approved and/or denied by the Catholic Foundation Board of Directors at the March meeting.
 - Most grant checks are mailed by June 30th. The Catholic Foundation ensures all grant money is used according to the purpose of the endowment.

Thank you for your time and interest
in the Catholic Foundation.

Any questions?



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