

Charity and Mercy Grant Application

Use this form to apply for a Charity and Mercy grant on behalf of your diocesan parish.

Contact Information

Please complete the following questions to help us follow up with you after submission.

Name of individual completing this application:

Your role/position/title:

Your Address:

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

State

ZIP Code

Best phone number to contact you at:

Best email address to reach you at:

Parish and Ministry Overview

Your Parish

What is the name of the Parish Social Ministry (i.e. the program or project that serves those in need)?

Please describe what this ministry does and whom it serves. Please provide specifics such as how often it operates, where it is located, etc.

Principals of Charitable Service

Based on the principles above for a “charitable service” as described in Deus Caritas Est, please share with us the following information:

How does this ministry respond to immediate needs and specific situations with more than “technical care”; but rather “with genuine love and heartfelt concern that enables others to experience the richness and totality of their humanity, made in the image and likeness of God. (DCE #31)”? Please give examples.

Is the ministry independent of parties or ideologies so that it serves anyone, regardless of faith affiliation?

Please give examples.

Is there a process to evaluate how the ministry is doing and then make adaptations based on that evaluation?

Please give examples.

Does the ministry collaborate with other social ministries in the broader community?

Please give examples.

Do people served need to pay to receive the service? exceptions be made for those who cannot afford to pay? If they pay, can exceptions be made for those who cannot afford to pay?

Please give examples.

Support and Impact

Approximately how many people were served in this ministry within the last calendar year?

How many volunteer hours were donated to this ministry in the last calendar year?

Does this ministry have paid staff?

- Yes
 No
 Other

Is this ministry parish-based?

- Yes
 No
 Other

What level of funding would best help your parish ministry?

- 1,000
 2,500
 5,000
 Other

Please describe how the funding will allow the ministry to serve more people.

If you were to receive the grant money, how would you use it? Please be as specific as you can – and feel free to DREAM and IMAGINE POSSIBILITIES! If seeking funding for more than one item or area, please rank them in order of importance and provide an estimated cost for each.

What is the cost needed to fulfill the request and how will the ministry be sustained beyond the possible funding from the Charity & Mercy Grant? (This could be financially, in-kind donations, volunteer time, etc.)

Grant Submission

Before submitting this grant, please be sure that your parish pastor or administrator is aware of the ministry you are requesting funding for and that you are submitting a Charity and Mercy grant on behalf of your parish. Using the box below, please verify that your pastor has been informed and has approved your application prior to submission. If your parish pastor or administrator has not been made aware of your ministry or project, your application may be returned to you until they have approved.

I have made my pastor or parish administrator aware that I am submitting this Charity and Mercy grant on behalf of my parish.

- Yes, my parish pastor or administrator is aware of our ministry and approves of this grant application**
- No, I have not yet made my parish pastor or administrator aware**

Your Signature:

Your parish pastor's signature:

