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INTERNAL RESOURCES:

DIOCESAN GRANTS AND LOANS

The Diocese of Central Pennsylvania has several financial resources available to assist congregations within the Diocese. Funding sources include support for various forms of mission and ministry as well as operational and capital support.

The Diocese provides over \$200,000 in grants, scholarships, and loans annually. While we would like to be able to meet every request, requests typically exceed available resources. There are several factors considered in the review process including a parish's financial resources, clarity of purpose, and level of impact.

Depending on the grant, decisions are made by the grants committee (a sub-committee of the Finance Committee), the Bishop, the Canon of Congregational Life & Mission, and the Canon for Finance and Operations.

All parishes seeking grants and/or loans must complete the Diocesan Grant/Loan application. For grants without a specific due date, applications are reviewed in the order they are received. For additional information or to request an application, please contact Chad Linder, Canon for Finance and Operations, at (717) 236-5959 ext. 1107, (717) 968-5550, or via email at clinder@diocesecpa.org.

Parish Operating Grants

The Diocese of Central Pennsylvania Operating Grants are to provide parishes with the financial resources to help cover part or all of a current operating deficit on a short-term basis (typically 3 years or less). The goal is to allow parishes time to implement a plan to bring the parish to, at a minimum, a balanced budget.

Grant applications will be accepted starting October 15 for the following year. The Diocese's goal is to announce awards starting November 1. Awards are typically paid in monthly installments.

Grant applications must include a detailed narrative (plan) that addresses the following:

1. Briefly describe your congregation and community.



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2. If you have received previous Operating Grants, what circumstances have changed since the last award? How were the funds utilized? What impact did these funds have on your parish, mission and ministry?
3. What specific steps are you planning to take to either reduce expenses, increase income, or both. Provide specific dollar goals related to these steps. Please also provide how you plan to accomplish these steps. For example, if you plan to increase stewardship, how will this be accomplished. Please be specific.
4. What specific capital expenditures are your forecasting over the next three years?
5. Are you seeking funding from other sources? If so, how much and from whom?

The following documents must be submitted with your application:

- 1) Previous year's financial results.
- 2) Current year's financial results – up to the month or two prior to application submission.
- 3) Current year's detailed budget.
- 4) Next year's detailed budget.
- 5) Current balance sheet.
- 6) Specific details on investment accounts. This would include identifying what funds are unrestricted, restricted by the vestry, and restricted by the donor (true endowment). Please be sure to include the details of the restrictions and what % draw have you budgeted for each fund.

Operating Grant funds may not be used for construction related expenses.

Estimated Average Award: \$7,000

Estimated Maximum Award: \$15,000

Estimated # of Grants for 2020 : 7

Bishop's Missional Grants

The Bishop's Missional Grants are designated for: (1) outreach projects that are directed to providing food, shelter, clothing, healthcare, and educational development for underserved children and adults or (2) to support congregations, individuals, and small groups in exploration of new and bold ways of serving God. Priority is given to projects that are NEW or are significant expansions of existing projects.

Estimated Average Award: \$2,500

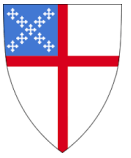
Estimated Maximum Award: \$5,000

Estimated Approximate # of Grants for 2020: 10

Applications must include a description of the missional project that includes:



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- Nature of the project – What will happen and where will it take place?
- Participants in the project
- Length of the project
- Desired outcomes
- Statement of how the project will serve God's Mission of restoration and reconciliation
- Budget for the project including documentation of other sources of income – or none
- How will the ministry be sustained beyond the grant period?
- Endorsement of the project by parish vestry as evidenced by a vestry vote and letter of certification by the person submitting the application. Discussion, approval, or not, must be memorialized in the minutes of the vestry meeting in which this discussion was held.

Darlington Construction Grants

The Diocese of Central Pennsylvania Construction Grants are for new construction or repair work to an existing building and/or infrastructure. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and are typically reviewed quarterly. These are grants, not loans, and the funds are not re-paid to the diocese.

Please include the following with your application:

- Briefly tell us about your congregation and community.
- Project Details
- Length of the project
- Copies of project bids
- Other sources of funding for project (include details of parishioner's financial participation.
- Endorsement / approval of the project by parish vestry as evidenced by a vestry vote and letter of certification by the person submitting the application. Discussion, approval, or not, must be memorialized in the minutes of the vestry meeting in which this discussion was held.

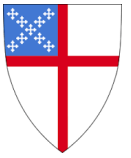
Estimated Average Award: \$3,000

Estimated Maximum Award: \$7,000

Approximate # of Grants for 2020: 5



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Heistand Loan Fund

The Bishop Heistand Loan Fund provides low interest loans to congregations for the purpose of new construction and/or existing facility remodeling and/or repair. Loans can range from \$5,000 to \$100,000+ and a parish can request a payback period between 2 and 10 years. The actual payback period will be determined by the Finance Committee. Loan availability is based on the current fund balance available in the Heistand Loan investment account and the current level of outstanding loans.

Factors that are used in determining loan approval include but are not limited to a parish's:

- Current financial condition
- Purpose of loan
- Current level of outstanding debt
- Ability of parish to repay loan

Loans applications are typically reviewed quarterly by the Finance Committee.

Scholarships for Seminararians

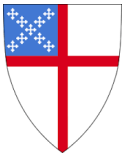
Seminararians who are residents of our Diocese, studying full time at an Episcopal seminary can receive scholarship assistance of \$600 per semester to their seminary account. The Diocese has \$4,800 available for 2018 and funds are awarded in order applications are received. The seminararian, at the beginning of each academic year, must confirm with the Bishop's office their continued enrollment at the seminary, as well as the contact information for where the assistance should be sent, including providing any forms that the seminary may require be completed. Please contact Carolyn Patterson, Assistant to the Bishop, at 717-236-5959, ext. 101 or cpatterson@diocesecpa.org to apply or with any questions.

Scholarships for the Stevenson School for Ministry

The Stevenson School for Ministry is an on line-hybrid education and formation opportunity to grow in faith and leadership. Established in 2014 following a 25-year diaconal certificate program in the Diocese, SSFM has grown to serve the diocese in their vocational development needs, in continuing education and above all to develop learning communities to deepen faith and mission. Our mission is to form lifelong leaders and disciples through academic and practical studies that leads toward a maturity of intellect, character and Christian faith in preparation for lives of service, and reconciliation in church and society.



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Full and partial scholarships are available for individuals within the Diocese that seek to enroll in courses offered by the Stevenson School for Ministry. Scholarship awards are based on the current balance of scholarship funds and individual need. For additional information and application, please contact Dean Robyn Szoke Coolidge at 717-236-5959 ext. 112 or rszoke@diocesecpa.org.

Scholarships for Children, Youth, and Young Adult Programs

Full and partial scholarships are available for children, youth, and young adults within the Diocese to participate in various programs and activities run by the Diocese. Scholarship awards are based on the current balance of scholarship funds and individual need. For additional information and application, please contact Dean Robyn Szoke Coolidge at 717-236-5959 ext. 112 or rszoke@diocesecpa.org.

Feed My Sheep

The Feed My Sheep ministry is intended to connect parishes throughout the diocese in the ministry of feeding those in need by supplying resources and networking opportunities. For more information to start a program in your parish or for additional resources and networking opportunities, please contact Deacon Wanda at deacon.wanda@gmail.com.

EXTERNAL GRANT SOURCES:

The following information is taken from various sources and is subject to change at any time. If you are aware of any changes or know of additional sources for grants, please email Chad Linder at clinder@diocesecpa.org.

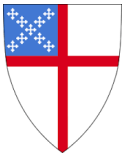
We encourage parishes to research other sources such as local community foundations.

Please be sure to visit <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/grants-and-scholarships> for additional grants and scholarships available from The Episcopal Church.

**Episcopal Evangelism grants available
for local and regional efforts**



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Application deadline is December 15

[November 9, 2017] The application process is now open for the new Episcopal Evangelism Grants Program, designed to fund local and regional evangelism efforts in the [Episcopal Church](#).

“This program will encourage our whole Church to share resources, catalyze imagination, and ultimately cultivate a network of evangelists who can learn from each other and connect with each other,” explained the Rev. Canon Susan Brown Snook, Chair of both the Episcopal Evangelism Grants Committee and the Executive Council Committee on Local Mission and Ministry.

The Episcopal Evangelism Grants program is coordinated by the Local Mission and Ministry Committee in collaboration with the Episcopal Church's [Evangelism Initiatives Team](#). “Evangelism isn't some scary practice only ‘other’ Christians do,” said the Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers, Presiding Bishop's Canon for Evangelism, Reconciliation and Creation Care, and a member of the Grants Committee. “Evangelism is the heart of Christian life, and we hope this program will light a fire and connect Episcopalians who are creating unique, authentically Episcopal ways of seeking, naming and celebrating Jesus' loving presence everywhere.”

The Committee seeks proposals focused on several goals:

- To create and spread resources that equip Episcopalians and churches to become evangelists and storytellers in daily life.
- To create opportunities for people who are not part of a faith community to build their own loving, liberating, life-giving relationships with God in Christ.
- To aim for lasting, broad impact.
- To employ innovation and creativity.
- To promote churchwide learning, understanding and practical application.

Episcopal institutions (congregations, dioceses, provinces, schools, monastic communities, Episcopal organizations and other Episcopal affiliated entities) are eligible to receive these funds. Regional collaborative partnerships with non-Episcopal entities are welcome, but an Episcopal entity must serve as the project leader, active manager, and reporting agent. Those associated with a seminary or formation program are encouraged to explore funding through the Episcopal Evangelism Society [here](#).

Grants are available for up to \$2,000 for an individual congregation and up to \$8,000 for multi-church, diocesan and regional collaborations. Groups receiving funding are expected to make a significant financial contribution toward the project, as well. The Grants Committee will review proposals and make recommendations to Executive Council at its January 2018 meeting. Distribution will occur within four weeks of notification and completion of requisite forms.



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Application, criteria, and additional information is available [here](#). Application deadline is **December 15 at 8 pm Eastern**.

For more information, contact Kayla Massey at kmassey@episcopalchurch.org or 212.716.6022.

Roanridge Trust

<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/page/roanridge-trust>

Roanridge was a working farm in Missouri donated by the Cochel family to the Episcopal Church to provide a unique setting in which Episcopal clergy, seminarians, and lay people could develop an understanding of farming operations and rural community structure. Through educational programs such as conferences, seminars, and institutes, the non-profit corporation that managed Roanridge sought to help Episcopal clergy and laity better serve communities in rural and small-town America. The farm was eventually sold, and the Roanridge Trust was established.

The interest generated from the Roanridge Trust is specifically to be used for the training of town and country clergy and rural Christian workers of the Episcopal Church. Each year the Roanridge Trust generates approximately \$160,000 to be distributed in grants.

Please visit the website link above to see current grant offerings.

Episcopal Church Jubilee Ministries

<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/library/office/jubilee-ministries>

One of the ways the Episcopal Church addresses domestic poverty is through its Jubilee network, which consists of over 600 Jubilee Ministry Centers. These centers empower the poor and oppressed in their communities by providing direct services such as food, shelter, and healthcare, and also by advocating for human rights.

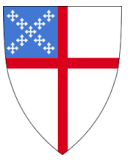
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Episcopal Church Building Fund

The ECBF is the single source of church-based loans at the national level. Loans are available for Episcopal and Anglican congregations and organizations, through the diocese, for building projects related to the construction, improvement, repair or purchase of Church owned land and buildings, including churches, rectories, parochial and diocesan buildings. Terms based on availability of funds, loans up to \$500,000 are available to a diocese for a congregation in the Episcopal Church with a fixed interest rate and a 2 percent origination fee. Loans require diocesan co-signature. The ECBF is restricted from



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lending funds for operating budgets or projects solely related to the purchase of organs or stained glass windows. No grants are made. How to apply, more information, and application forms are available at www.ecbf.org. There is no deadline for submitting applications. Upon receipt of the completed application and the required documentation, the application will be acted upon promptly.

Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania (a.k.a. the Long Name Society)

The Society's general aim and purpose is to advance Christianity by providing grants to needy parishes and missions in the five dioceses of Pennsylvania. In the past, the Society has provided grants in the \$1,000 to \$5,000 range for parish maintenance projects, for final payment on church debts, and other necessary needs. Guideline Letters of Request should give a detailed account of the reasons for the appeal and the present and future outlook of the parish or mission. Include an appraisal of the work and the most recent parochial report. Send the letter of request, along with copies of bids for the work, parochial report, and a letter of support from the Bishop to:

Karin King
3430 Arabian Drive
Jackson, WY 83001
advancementsociety13@gmail.com

Grants typically awarded April 15, September 15 and December 15.

United Thank Offering

The United Thank Offering (UTO) is a program of the Episcopal Church (TEC) for the mission of the whole church, founded by and administered by women since 1889. The UTO committee is a spiritual and financial partner in the mission work of The Episcopal Church, through every person in every pew.

UTO is entrusted to promote thank offerings, to receive the offerings, and to distribute the United Thank Offering monies through grants. UTO's vision is to significantly impact the lives of women and children because of Christ's love, focusing particularly on projects that implement significant change toward alleviating profound human suffering. UTO's mission is to expand the circle of thankful people by encouraging daily prayers, offerings, and awareness of the abundance of God's blessings. United Thank Offering supports programs that address compelling human needs by supporting alleviation of poverty, both domestically and internationally, within the Anglican provinces, dioceses, and companion dioceses.

UTO supports projects that address poverty of women and children, that make significant impact, or that are part of a planned diocesan mission strategy.



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How to Apply: Each diocese may submit one grant request. The bishop's signature is required. United Thank Offering is on an annual grant cycle with applications due by January 31. Grants are finalized in May or June of each year. **In our diocese, the contact for UTO grants is Alyse Pfeiffer. Please contact her at: depadp@verizon.net**

More information and an internet grant application is available at:
www.episcopalchurch.org/uto

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH – WALL STREET

<https://www.trinitywallstreet.org/social-justice/trinity-grants>

Geographic areas: *New York metropolitan area and the United States*

Trinity Church Wall Street's domestic grants program supports transformational leaders and ministries under the areas of Neighborhood, Leadership, and Capacity through the lens of Social Justice, Race, and Institution Building. Please see below for details on these three strategic areas.

Neighborhood - through the lens of Social Justice, Race, and Institution Building

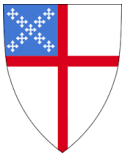
"But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you . . . and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare." (Jeremiah 29:7)

For Trinity, neighborhood means the common life in the places we live: the landscape, the marketplace, and the people in the communities where we have a historic presence. Our neighborhood begins in Lower Manhattan and extends throughout New York City, where we have had a presence for over 300 years. Our sense of neighborhood occasionally extends to other places where we have deep roots, long-standing partnerships, and digital connections. Trinity's approach to building a sustainable neighborhood includes:

- Investment in people: Supporting community leaders and residents in targeted efforts to help vulnerable communities and individuals.
- Institution building: Supporting educational and developmental organizations that allow residents to get the skills needed to be successful in all aspects of daily life—faith institutions, educational institutions, early learning centers and health resources, etc., focusing on Trinity's unique community-building skills rather than duplicating what government or single-purpose organizations do.



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- Relationships and networks: Developing collaboration with a wide range of community partners —non-profit organizations, faith-based groups, schools, social service providers, and the private sector, etc.—and doing so in ways that foster interaction among diverse residents.
- Program Accountability: Establishing appropriate measurements to ensure programs are effective and sustainable.

Leadership - through the lens of Social Justice, Race, and Institution Building

“Jesus called the twelve and began to send them out two by two.” (Mark 6:7)

Grounded in our core values, Trinity is committed to developing the next generations of leaders. This will mean identifying leaders, current and emerging, for partnership. Trinity’s approach to leadership development includes:

- Discernment and Planning: Understanding the needs of the church and justice movements—leadership gaps, strengths, challenges, and opportunities for growth and change.
- Identifying Emerging Leaders: Seeking out the leaders of the next generation in the church and in society. We will engage with current leaders and existing leadership programs, and expand the search to include non-traditional places and people.
- Designing Leadership Training: Developing programs, scholarships, curricula, and other tools to empower the next generation of leaders with the tools they will need to build the church and society of the future.
- Fostering a Network: Helping the next generation of leaders to see themselves as part of a larger, transformational partnership of values—including regional convocations, ongoing leadership training, digital communities, etc.
- Program Accountability: Establishing appropriate measurements to ensure programs are effective and sustainable.

Capacity - through the lens of Social Justice, Race, and Institution Building

“Wisdom cries aloud in the street; in the markets she raises her voice” (Proverbs 1:20)

Capacity-building at Trinity means fostering the long-term sustainability, resilience, and institutional strength of churches and organizations, identified by alignment with our shared core values: Faith, Integrity, Inclusiveness, Compassion, Social Justice, and Stewardship. Through such collaboration and partnerships, we support our mission partners in contextually appropriate growth, expanding our mission in ways otherwise unimaginable. Trinity’s approach to capacity-building includes:



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- Institution Building and Administration: Design projects that are financially self-sustaining and can provide ongoing support for mission. This includes improving ability to plan strategically, enhance management skills, and develop effective governance.
- Mission Through Marketplace: Promoting the idea that effective, long-term mission can be sustained and expanded utilizing the tools of the marketplace to build institutional financial resiliency.
- Networking and Advocacy: Facilitate networking opportunities to invigorate partnerships and shared learning. These alliances will help partners to learn best practices, strengthen existing connections, and make new ones.
- Program Accountability: Establishing appropriate measurements to ensure programs are effective and sustainable.

Application Deadlines

The Trinity Grants Board considers requests in February, May, and September.

Please note that Application Deadlines are:

February 1 for consideration of grants in the May meeting, awarded in June

May 1 for consideration of grants in the September meeting, awarded in October

October 1 for consideration of grants in the February meeting, awarded in March

All materials are acknowledged upon receipt.

Notices of funding awards are sent after Vestry consideration, which takes place one month after the Trinity Grants Board recommends the proposal (March, June, October, and December).

The Historical Society of The Episcopal Church

<http://www.hsec.us/grants.html>

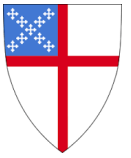
The Historical Society of the Episcopal Church invites applications from individual scholars as well as academic and ecclesiastical groups for grants to support significant research, conferences, and publications relating to the history of the Episcopal and Anglican churches in North America, the worldwide Anglican Communion, and the Church of England. Grants are usually modest, generally \$1,000-\$2,000, though more or less may be awarded depending on number of awards and amount of funds available. Typical grants include travel to archives, collections, or resources; dissertation research; and seed money for larger projects.

Episcopal Women's History Project

The Episcopal Women's History Project encourages research and publication about the lives and work of women throughout the history of the Episcopal Church, including the period of the colonial Anglican Church. Grants may be used for travel, the acquisition of research materials, or other research expenses.



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Proposals may focus on an individual Episcopal woman or on women's organizations from the colonial period to the present. Projects involving the overseas activities of Episcopal women will also be considered. Previous grants have been awarded for a variety of projects including the completion of a biography of the Rev. Gladys Lucile Hall, collection of primary texts for a documentary history of Anglican and Episcopal women in America, and identifying and researching pre-1950 murals created by Episcopal women.

Deadlines

The deadline for research grants, applications, and other awards (except the Katharine Jefferts Schori Award) is March 1 of the year in which the award will be made. The Episcopal Women's History Project Grants Committee will review the proposals and notify the recipients following announcement of awards at the EWHP spring annual meeting. The Grant Application Form is available [HERE](#).

Contact

For information on all of these awards, please contact: Joan R. Gundersen, 1677 St. Andrews Drive, Oakmont, PA 15139 or e-mail: grants@ewhp.org.

The Louisville Institute

The Louisville Institute is a Lilly Endowment-funded program based at Louisville Seminary supporting those who lead and study American religious institutions. Their fundamental mission is to enrich the religious life of American Christians and encourage the revitalization of their institutions by bringing together those who lead religious institutions and those who study them so that the work of each might inform and strengthen the other.

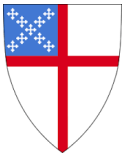
Grants support both pastoral sabbaticals and research by scholar/pastors and scholar/educators that strengthen the religious life of North American Christians and their institutions while advancing American religious and theological scholarship. These grant programs aim to serve three strategic constituencies whose competence and well-being are essential to the future of the church: pastors, younger scholars, and researchers and scholars for the broader church.

The Sabbatical Grants for Pastoral Leaders Program provides pastoral leaders with sustained periods of time for rest, renewal, and reflective engagement with their life and work and issues related to contemporary religious leadership. Grants of \$10,000 or \$15,000 support sabbaticals of eight or twelve weeks. Deadline is September 1.

The Pastoral Study Project Program offers pastoral leaders opportunity to conduct serious investigation of issues related to Christian life, faith and ministry. Grants of up to \$15,000 are available for study projects involving full or partial leave from the responsibilities of ministry.



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Deadline is August 15. How to Apply and Additional information is available at www.louisville-institute.org

Lilly Endowment

The Lilly Endowment is an Indianapolis-based, private philanthropic foundation, which seeks to strengthen congregations by providing an opportunity for pastors to step away briefly from the obligations of daily parish life and to engage in a period of renewal and reflection.

Renewal periods are not vacations, but times for intentional exploration and reflection, for drinking again from God's life-giving waters, for regaining enthusiasm and creativity for ministry.

The National Clergy Renewal Program awards as many as 150 grants of up to \$50,000 each directly to Christian congregations for the support of a renewal program for their pastor. Up to \$15,000 of the grant may be used for congregational expenses associated with the renewal program.

Deadline is usually May or June, with grant awards made in the fall. How to Apply and The Request for Proposals form is available at www.clergyrenewal.org.

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