

# DIOCESE OF RALEIGH PARISH ASSISTANCE GRANT GUIDELINES 2021-2022

<b>Grant Evaluation &amp; Recommendation</b>	The Deans of the Diocese of Raleigh in consultation with the Bishop review the requests and award grants annually each Fall. Note: Effective in FY 2021 (Current Year) this grant is awarded one time per year.	
<b>Purpose</b>	The purpose of the grant is to provide funding for various one-time projects within small, financially struggling parishes that cannot be funded in the regular budget. Funds are restricted for programs such as implementation of various faith development programs, for equipment, and for building projects, repairs, etc.	
<b>Qualifying Organization</b>	Any Catholic parish or mission within the Diocese of Raleigh. <i>N.B.</i> parish schools are considered a ministry of the parish. Non-parish organizations and campus ministries which are not a parish do not qualify.	
<b>Qualifying Activities</b>	Awards are available for non-reoccurring funding for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Construction projects: materials and services</li> <li>• Building repairs and maintenance, equipment</li> <li>• Office equipment (Software is eligible if it is included with the purchase of computer equipment.)</li> <li>• Faith development programs</li> <li>• Costs for visiting religious</li> <li>• Costs for visiting religious teaching instructors</li> <li>• Educational and sacramental materials</li> </ul>	
<b>Examples of Previous Awards</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sheetrock for wall repair, repair &amp; replacement of molding, painting, removal of carpeting, purchase of laminate wood flooring.</li> <li>• Hardware for computer network.</li> <li>• Projection screen, speakers, cables, projector &amp; cart.</li> <li>• Lawn mower and trimmer.</li> <li>• Carport, fence, picnic tables for playground, repairs to steps, railing on deck.</li> </ul>	
<b>Funding Source</b>	Diocesan operating budget and God's Work ~ Our Challenge Small Parish Assistance Endowment.	
<b>Grant Award Limit</b>	Maximum grant is \$5,000	
<b>Activities Not Supported</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuition assistance</li> <li>• Direct assistance to, or programs for, the poor</li> <li>• Support for parish minority ministries which cannot be funded out of parish operating budget</li> <li>• Employee salaries</li> <li>• Health insurance premiums</li> <li>• Software unless it is purchased with computer hardware</li> <li>• Priest salaries, stipends and travel expenses associated with sacramental ministry</li> <li>• Travel and lodging of program employees</li> <li>• Ongoing projects (<i>e.g.</i> support for Hispanic Ministry must be incorporated into the regular parish budget.)</li> <li>• Reimbursements (Exceptions may be made for emergency projects which will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.)</li> </ul>	
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<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Deadline for the grant application is Fall 2021. There are TWO ways to submit your application, paper copy (mailed to the address above) or electronically by visiting:</b> <a href="https://raldioc.configio.com/go/parish-assistance-grant">https://raldioc.configio.com/go/parish-assistance-grant</a>	
<b>Required Documentation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completed application</li> <li>• Qualified estimate of work being done</li> </ul>	