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A Legacy of the Together in Mission Campaign

What is the Creative Ministry Fund?

Our rich spiritual history is founded on the innovative work of our predecessors. The needs are ever more present and vital today. This fund is designed to seed new ideas and new ministries. This fund will enable congregations to step into the future by experimenting with ministries of service, care, outreach, or the like. The focus will be to energize and motivate parishioners to re-imagine their present and future ministry in the particular context in which they find themselves and to equip congregations to respond to 21st century spiritual needs.

Criteria for applications to the fund:

- 1. Requests from this fund must fit with vision articulated above and must serve primarily to support creative and innovative ministries in the context of community.
- 2. Requests for funding under this program must clearly explain what the proposed project, event, position or other activity will entail, including its purpose, goals and time-frame.
- 3. The funding request must be endorsed by the sponsoring Parish, Congregation or Worshipping Community. Funding requests from multiple Parishes, Congregations or Worshipping Communities as well as Regions are welcome.
- 4. Applications should be submitted to the Diocesan Administration and Finance Committee or Diocesan Council no later than 6 months in advance of the proposed program start date.

Limits of this fund:

This fund is primarily seed and development money for new, innovative, or experimental programs or events. It is not designed to fund an ongoing program. Depending on the circumstances the Administration and Finance committee may request a certain portion of matching funds from the parish.

Application for Support from the Creative Ministry Fund

1. Please describe the program or event.
2. Please outline how this program or event will provide an opportunity for creative or innovative ministry in your community context.
3. Please provide a breakdown of the cost of the event or program and any available parish funds.
4. Please outline the proposed date or timeline of the event or program.