

NORTH DAKOTA EPISCOPAL FOUNDATION 2025 GRANT GUIDELINES

The North Dakota Episcopal Foundation (NDEF) invites and encourages grant applications from congregations and affiliated Episcopal organizations in the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota.

The following diocesan mission priorities (in no particular order) should be considered in applying for a grant, but they are not intended to be exclusive. Grants are also available, for example, to enhance the musical life of the congregation or undertake community outreach and similar efforts.

- Evangelism
- Theological Education
- Youth Ministry
- Campus Ministry
- Mission outside the Diocese
- Sudanese Ministry

Additional consideration for grant applications

- A. The proposal should show strong Episcopal connections.
- B. The proposal should result from diocesan, regional or congregational planning.
- C. The proposal should show support from other Episcopal or related sources and seek further permanent funding for the future.
- D. The proposal must have a one-year funding budget for expenditures.
- E. Under ordinary circumstances, grants will only be for one year. In the event that continuation of the grant is sought, re-application must be made.
- F. The grant application should be limited to a single program or project.
- G. Congregations and organizations are limited to one application per application period.
- H. The maximum amount of any grant is \$10,000.

NDEF grants do not fund:

- A. Debt retirement of loans.
- B. Direct assistance to individuals such as food, rent, utilities, or medical needs.
- C. Continuation of operating budgets unrelated to the priorities identified above.
- D. Proposals that duplicate existing services or for which funding is available elsewhere.
- E. Emergencies

Application Requirements

- A. The application must be formally endorsed by the governing body of the congregation or organization.
- B. Applications must be typed and limited to three pages in length, excluding any documentation.
- C. A written evaluation of the program including the financial accounting should be submitted within one month of the conclusion of the funding year (May 1 or December 1).

Please Note:

The North Dakota Episcopal Foundation seeks to fund projects that are planned and ready to be implemented, understanding that at times some preliminary funding may be necessary for fully planning an effort. As North Dakota Episcopal Foundation funds released to a grantee will not be available to others, careful consideration of grant requirements and project feasibility will help ensure that projects are successful and that available funds reach as many people as possible. Return of unused funds to the North Dakota Episcopal Foundation is expected and appreciated.