Catholic Foundation
of Michigan

Grants Info Session

Summer 2025

Igniting Hearts: Invest. Serve. Grow

Zoom Reminders

- Turn on Video and keep your sound muted.
  - Use a Thumbs up Reaction or use the Chat to say hello as others come in!
- Kindly change your zoom name:
  - Right-click it
  - Type your name and the organization you're representing.

Agenda

- Opening Prayer
- Introduction: The Catholic Foundation
- Overview of the 2025 Grant Cycle Process
- Live LOI Process Walkthrough
- Live Q&A
- Closing

A Faithful Mission

The Catholic Foundation of Michigan ***inspires*** charitable giving and ***assists*** donors in investing in the ***future*** of Catholic parishes, schools, and nonprofit organizations.

OUR COLLECTIVE IMPACT

Since Inception

- $75M Total Donations
- $30M Cumulative Grants
- 3,635 Total Donors
- 581 Benefiting Organizations
- 93% Granted to Catholic Beneficiaries
- 267 Funds Established

Catholic Foundation of Michigan

LOI Deadline: June 30

Grant Application Process: Step 1

Step 1: Letter of Intent Form

Brief seven question form ensuring project:

- Meets the required criteria
- Aligns with Foundation mission & priorities

Advance projects with greatest alignment and the greatest potential of success to step 2.

LOI Deadline: June 30

Letter of Intent Questions

- **Project Name**
- **Project Start & End Date**
  - Start date must not be before January 1, 2026.
- **Tell us about your organization.**
  - What is your mission and how does it align with the Catholic Foundation?
- **Tell us about your project.**
  - Describe specific project goals and explain why your project is a strong fit for this grant.
- **Tell us about the community you will serve.**
  - Describe specifically how your project will improve the quality of life in your community.
- **Tell us what sets your project apart.**
  - Describe how this project is collaborative, creative, and innovative.
- **Tell us about your project budget.**
  - Total Anticipated Project Budget
  - Amount Requested
  - Tell us about how you will use the grant dollars requested.

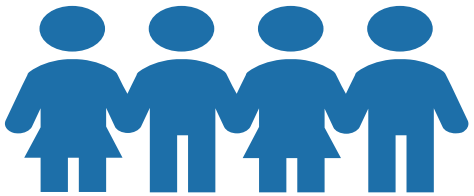
2025 Catholic Foundation Grant Priorities

1.Mission Alignment

2. Collaboration

3. Innovation

Marginalized Communities



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Full Application Deadline: Aug. 31

Grant Process: Step 2

Step 2: Invitation to submit full application

Longer, more comprehensive application consisting in four parts:

- Organization Background & Budget
- Project Plan Questions
- Collaboration & Innovation
- Detailed Budget

Available Opportunities

For criteria, visit:
bit.ly/cfmgrant2

Impact Grant
Social Outreach
Catholic EducationFormation

Church in the City

St. Oscar Romero

Spirit of Innovation

Sanctity of Life

Laudato Si

St. Margaret of Castello

2025 Granting Funds

LOI Process Walk Through

QUESTIONS

Critical Dates

- **All Applications:**
  - LOI Deadline: June 30
  - Grant Writing Workshop: July 16
  - Application Deadline: August 31
  - Awards Announced: Mid November
  - Evaluation: Feb. 2026 – Oct 2026
    - Completed Evaluation required at end of the grant period in order to be awarded again.

Important Links

Main Page:

CatholicFoundationMichigan.org/Grants/Apply

- Detailed Grant Guidelines
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Instructions for Online System

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“Out of our common todays and yesterdays, we are building for eternity.”

- Saint Katharine Drexel