
2017 Consistent Life Ethic Grant Fund

Life Issues Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester 1150 Buffalo Road Rochester NY 14624

DEFINITION

The Consistent Life Ethic is the underlying principle of our faith that urges us to affirm life from the moment of conception to natural death, in attitude as well as action. Most urgently, the Consistent Life Ethic calls us to protect life that is threatened by forces we oppose, including but not limited to abortion, economic injustice, assisted suicide, euthanasia, the death penalty, war, and any other form of violence.

The Consistent Life Ethic Grant Fund is made possible by a grant from Fidelis, the NYS Bishop's Insurance Agency. The purpose of the fund is to support and encourage efforts that affirm life and promote the Consistent Life Ethic.

APPLICANTS

A grant applicant can be a group or organization, established or newly formed (a pastoral council, social ministry committee, school, class, youth group, ad hoc group, community agency, organization, etc.).

A grant applicant is not required to be involved in all Consistent Life Ethic issues, but must neither publicly challenge nor oppose life concerns that are not its own first priority.

PROJECTS

A project for which an applicant is seeking funds must demonstrate that the project holds the Consistent Life Ethic as its philosophy (see definition, above.)

A project for which an applicant is seeking funds can be a completely new venture or a fully operational and existing effort.

- *New Project* funding is intended to support start-up of an effort that will address unmet need(s).
- *Existing Project* funding is intended to help maintain or expand an established effort.

GRANTS

Grants are awarded from available resources, which vary from year to year. The average grant amount is \$500. Please consider this information during grant request preparation.

The amount awarded in any grant may differ from the amount requested.

Having received Consistent Life Ethic funds in the past does not affect future funding.

**Applications for grant funds must be received electronically or postmarked by
Friday, December 2, 2016**

Grants will be announced by Saturday, December 31, 2016

(Preferred) E-mail completed application with 'CLE Grant App' in the subject line to: sstack@dor.org

Or mail to: Life Issues Coordinator
Catholic Charities of the DOR
1150 Buffalo Road
Rochester, NY 14624-1890

**For application assistance, or further information, contact:
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