



# The Bishop Whittemore Foundation

"An ecclesiastical corporation to foster, develop or contribute to the support of the religious, educational and charitable work of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Michigan."

## GRANT APPLICATION FORM

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

City

State

Zip Code

Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Rector's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Vestry Contact:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

City

State

Zip Code

Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Night

Amount of Grant Monies Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Description of Need for Grant: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Brief Description of How Grant Request Matches Expressed Need of Parish: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Brief Description of Other Sources of Available Funding (attach present budget of parish):

Financial \_\_\_\_\_

Human Resources \_\_\_\_\_

Date When Grant Monies Are Needed: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Description of Parish Activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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Brief Description of Future Growth Visions: \_\_\_\_\_

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Significance to your parish if grant is approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Bishop's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### POINTS OF INFORMATION

- The Bishop Whittemore Foundation (BWF) will read the grant application at its quarterly meeting and the grant will be discussed and voted upon at the same meeting.
- The BWF fiscal year is from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.
- The BWF meets the fourth Friday of January, April, July, and October at St. Mark's Church – Grand Rapids, MI at 2:00 p.m. Applications should be received at least 3 weeks prior to the meeting.
- The BWF is an outright gift to parish.
- The BWF requests quarterly progress reports (due prior to meeting dates) and wishes to be contacted when project is complete and date of dedication service is scheduled.
- When approved, the BWF will assign a trustee as contact person.
- Application form will be accompanied by BWF brochure and mission statement.
- Copies sent to Bishop for review.

### MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO:

Bishop Whittemore Foundation  
c/o Kathryn J. Stoddard, CTFA  
Northern Trust Bank, FSB  
161 Ottawa, N.W Ave., Ste 111  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503  
616-233-0854

Bishop's Office  
Episcopal Center Diocese of  
Western Michigan  
535 S. Burdick Street, Ste #1  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007

# **NOTICE**

With your Grant Application, please submit the following:

1. Current Parish budget with most recent revenue and expense report.
2. Most recent Parish balance sheet.
3. Most recent Parish parochial report.
4. A List of all Bishop Whitemore Foundation Grants received by the parish in the last 10 years.

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## GIFTS THAT KEEP GIVING...

Five ways to help grow the Foundation:

- 1) Add a simple codicil to your existing will, creating a bequest for the Foundation.
- 2) Deed real property to the Foundation.
- 3) Amend an existing insurance policy to make the Foundation an additional beneficiary or purchase a new policy with the Foundation as sole beneficiary.
- 4) Leave written or verbal instructions with your surviving spouse to include the Foundation when drawing his or her will (which will be necessary.)
- 5) If you have a sizeable estate, consult your financial advisor about how a charitable trust might benefit the mission of the Whittemore Foundation. *The tax advantage may prove to be significant.*

The Bishop Whittemore Foundation is a sacred trust intended to strengthen and to further the mission of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

In our time we can make gifts that will keep on giving long after we are gone.

Robert Stanton, President

C. Reid Hudging III, Vice President

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The Rev. Chris Yaw, Program Chairman



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## HISTORY

The Bishop Whittemore Foundation was established in 1952 by the Rt. Reverend Lewis Bliss Whittemore and other concerned and dedicated Christians for the purpose of making grants and loans to parishes and organizations affiliated with the Diocese of Western Michigan, including the Diocese itself in its programmatic needs. The Foundation is especially interested in supporting those Christians who have creative and hopeful visions for the future of the Church, the nature of its ministry, and its prophetic and pastoral role within our society.

The Foundation was designed and legally established to be administered by elected officers and trustees, in consultation with the Bishop of Western Michigan.

## GRANTS

Financial assistance in the form of grants has been provided to: help parishes become barrier free; contribute to the Diocesan Priest-in-Formation Program which assists newly ordained persons as they begin their ministries; support parishes in the purchase of new furnaces and the repair of their stained glass windows and roofs; support for the annual clergy conference and summer youth camp. Those are only a few examples of recent grants.

## LOANS

The Foundation, by direct loans, has made available more than \$3,000,000 for all types of diocesan building programs.

Interest rates for loans are generally lower than prevailing rates from conventional lenders, which may not be interested in making loans on special buildings, particularly churches. Such fiscal help has eased many crises and lifted many financial burdens within the Diocese. Currently loans are made up to \$100,000 to any one parish and typically have a five year maturity with a twenty year amortization.

## FINANCIAL ADVICE

The Foundation is willing to help parishes sort out or manage their financial affairs. Since churches do not always have expertise in this area, we are able to offer immediate help and advice. Please contact the Foundation through Northern Trust or one of the trustees.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Formal request for financial assistance, whether in the form of loans or grants, can be made by parishes or other Diocesan organizations, to the Bishop Whittemore Foundation at the headquarters address. Standardized forms are available from either Northern Trust or the Diocese. A copy should be sent to the Bishop of Western Michigan for endorsement.

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