

ST. STEPHEN'S OUTREACH COMMITTEE GRANT-MAKING GUIDELINES

The Outreach Committee of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Edina, Minnesota has the privilege of acting on behalf of our congregation to accept, review, and make proposals to our Vestry regarding applications for monetary and non-monetary support. Our primary goal in awarding grants is to live our baptismal covenant to seek and serve Christ in all people.

Applications may be submitted at any time in person during office hours, via mail to the church office, or via email to the current outreach chairperson. Applications are reviewed by the committee quarterly, pursuant to the following schedule:

<u>If application is received by:</u>	<u>applicant will be notified by:</u>
January 1 st	February 28th
April 1 st	May 30th
July 1 st	August 30th
October 1 st	November 30 th

If an applicant is awarded a monetary grant, any such award will be mailed within 30 days following notification to the applicant.

In consultation with parishioners and our clergy and lay leadership, our committee has established the following guidelines for ministries and organizations that wish to be considered for an outreach grant:

1. At least one member of St. Stephen's must be currently involved with the project or activities of the ministry or organization.
2. There must be opportunities available for further parishioner involvement with the ministry or organization going forward.
3. Funds awarded must be used responsibly and faithfully, and must be likely to have a significant impact on the ministry's or organization's objectives.
4. Both Episcopal and non-denominational projects or activities will be considered, whether they be local, national, or international, new or well-established.
5. Preference will be given to those projects or activities that impact issues facing area youth and/or that aim to alleviate hunger or homelessness.

GRANT APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE IN OUR CHURCH OFFICE OR AT
WWW.STSTEPHENS.COM.