



2023 DISTRIBUTION
OF GRANTS

Total Grants: 75
Total Granted: \$2,108,250

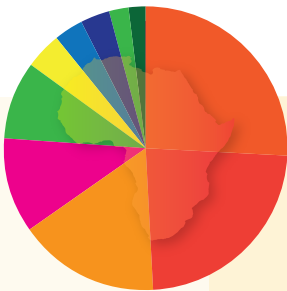
PERCENTAGES HAVE BEEN ROUNDED OFF TO THE NEAREST ONE HUNDREDTH
AND SO MAY NOT TOTAL EXACTLY 100%.

PROGRAM AREA	NUMBER OF GRANTS	GRANT AMOUNT
Construction/Renovation	10	\$412,600
Leadership Formation	16	\$380,850
Church Capacity Support	14	\$301,300
Vocations	4	\$170,000
Communications	5	\$169,100
Evangelization	7	\$157,000
Justice and Peace	6	\$155,300
Religious Education and Catholic Schools	4	\$116,000
Child Protection	4	\$103,100
Clergy/Religious Continuing Education	3	\$94,000
Youth Ministry	2	\$49,000

EXPENSES

Grants and Donations	\$2,110,175	73.39%
Program Costs	\$510,169	17.74%
Promotions and Fundraising Expenses	\$158,843	5.52%
Administrative Expenses	\$95,998	3.34%

Total Expenses \$2,875,185



DISTRIBUCIÓN DE LAS
SUBVENCIONES EN EL 2023

Total de subvenciones: 75
Cantidad otorgada: \$2,108,250

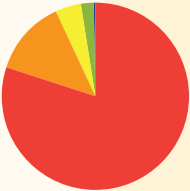
LOS PORCENTAJES SE HAN REDONDEADO AL CÉNTESIMO MÁS CERCANO, POR LO CUAL ES POSIBLE QUE NO SUMEN EXACTAMENTE 100%.

ÁREA DE PROGRAMA	TOTAL DE SUBVENCIONES	CANTIDAD OTORGADA
Construcción /renovación	10	\$412,600
Formación de liderazgo	16	\$380,850
Apoyo para la capacidad de la Iglesia	14	\$301,300
Vocaciones	4	\$170,000
Comunicaciones	5	\$169,100
Evangelización	7	\$157,000
Paz y justicia	6	\$155,300
Educación religiosa y escuelas católicas	4	\$116,000
Protección del niño	4	\$103,100
Educación continua para clero/religiosos	3	\$94,000
Pastoral juvenil	2	\$49,000

GASTOS

Subvenciones y donaciones	\$2,110,175	73.39%
Costos del programa	\$510,169	17.74%
Gastos de promoción y recaudación de fondos	\$158,843	5.52%
Gastos administrativos	\$95,998	3.34%

Total de gastos \$2,875,185





SUPPORT THE Solidarity Fund for the CHURCH IN AFRICA

Dear Pastor/Parish Administrator,

In 2021, Pope Francis instituted the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly to call attention to the dignity of those who “remind us that old age is a gift and that grandparents are the link between the different generations, to pass on to the young the experience of life.” In establishing this celebration, the Holy Father calls the Church to a renewed love for and solidarity with the elderly in a world where they are too often subjected to neglect and abuse.

In response to this call, the Episcopal Conference of Malawi instituted a program throughout its eight dioceses to strengthen the faithful in their love and responsibility towards the elderly, especially among young people. Using funds received from the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa, the Episcopal Conference of Malawi organized both a national workshop for youth on the catechesis of old age as well as conferences in each of the country’s eight dioceses on the same topic in 2024. Drawing participation from 120 clergy, religious, and lay men and women per diocese, the program empowered pastoral ministers and lay leaders to live the Church’s teachings on the dignity of the elderly and to share it with their families, neighbors, and communities.

Your support for the collection for the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops helps episcopal conferences and dioceses throughout Africa in their mission to evangelize, build peace, and defend the dignity of the elderly and others who face injustice.

The most effective way you can help is to highlight the Solidarity Fund at Mass and encourage your parishioners to be generous through the offertory collection or your parish’s e-offertory platform. You will find material to assist you in this resource guide; additional materials, including a bulletin insert, parish appeal, and social media tool kit, are available at www.usccb.org/africa. Please use these before and during the collection weekend.

If you have any questions, please contact Margaret Hren at 202-541-3346 or ncpromo@usccb.org. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. With every best wish and an assurance of prayers, I remain

Yours in Christ,

Bishop Daniel H. Mueggenborg
Chairman, Committee on National Collections

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Simple Steps

for Promoting the Collection

1

Announce the collection for the Solidarity Fund in your parish, using the bulletin announcements and parish appeal provided, so that your parishioners know what it is, when to expect it, and why they should support it. **This is the best way to ensure the success of the collection.**

2

Preach about the need for solidarity with the Church in Africa. Share the good news that the Church is growing and ministering to the pastoral needs of the people by providing catechesis on the dignity of the elderly, as the bishops of Malawi have done.

3

Pray for those who live and work to spread the Gospel message in Africa.

Parish Appeal

English

This weekend we take up our collection to support the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. The people of Africa are joyous and faith-filled—but as the Church in Africa grows, the pastoral needs of the people also increase. Clergy formation, communications programs to bring the Gospel to remote territories, youth ministries that engage the next generation of disciples—these and all the Church's needs are wide-ranging. The Solidarity Fund is an opportunity for our parish to stand with the people of Africa. Our contributions help them face these challenges and build lasting foundations of missionary discipleship. Thank you for your generosity in supporting this collection today.



Spanish

Este fin de semana realizaremos nuestra colecta para apoyar al Fondo de Solidaridad para la Iglesia en África. Los habitantes de África son personas alegres y llenas de fe, pero a medida que crece la Iglesia en África, crecen también las necesidades pastorales de sus habitantes. Desde la formación del clero a los programas en el área de las comunicaciones que llevan el Evangelio a territorios remotos, a la pastoral juvenil dirigida a la próxima generación de discípulos, son muchas las necesidades de la Iglesia. El Fondo de Solidaridad es una oportunidad para nuestra parroquia para solidarizarse con los pueblos de África. Nuestras contribuciones los ayudan a enfrentar estos desafíos y a construir unas bases duraderas para un discipulado misionero. Muchas gracias por su generosidad al apoyar esta colecta hoy.

Bulletin Announcements

English

Week Before the Solidarity Fund Appeal

Next week our parish will take up a collection to support the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. Although the Church in Africa is growing, many still lack access to basic resources and pastoral care. The Solidarity Fund supports pastoral projects to build the capacity of the Church and foster lasting peace and reconciliation across a continent often marked by division and tension. To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/africa.

Week of the Solidarity Fund Appeal

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Week After the Solidarity Fund Appeal

Thank you for your generous support for the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. Your contributions provide pastoral care and support to the people of Africa, who face many challenges from poverty and unemployment to inadequate health care and forced migration. Your donations fund workshops, retreats, catechesis, and other projects that build the faith of African communities. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/africa. The #iGiveCatholicTogether website also accepts donations for the Solidarity Fund at usccb.igivecatholictogether.org/organizations/usccb-church-in-africa.

Visit www.usccb.org/africa and select “Parish Resource Guide” under “Collection Resources” for an electronic version of this text that can be copied into your parish bulletin.

Spanish

Semana antes del llamado para el Fondo de Solidaridad

La próxima semana, nuestra parroquia realizará la colecta para apoyar al Fondo de Solidaridad para la Iglesia en África. Aunque la Iglesia en África está creciendo, muchos aún carecen de acceso a los recursos básicos y a un cuidado pastoral. El Fondo de Solidaridad financia proyectos pastorales para incrementar la capacidad de la Iglesia y fomentar una paz y reconciliación duraderas en un continente que a menudo está marcado por divisiones y tensiones. Para informarse más, visiten www.usccb.org/africa.

Semana del llamado para el Fondo de Solidaridad

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Semana después del llamado para el Fondo de Solidaridad

Muchas gracias por su generoso apoyo al Fondo de Solidaridad para la Iglesia en África. Sus contribuciones les proporcionarán cuidado pastoral y apoyo a los pueblos de África los cuales enfrentan muchos desafíos que provienen de la pobreza y el desempleo, un deficiente cuidado de la salud y una migración forzada. Sus donativos financiarán talleres, retiros, catequesis y otros proyectos que fortalecen la fe de las comunidades africanas. ¡Si no alcanzaron a dar a la colecta, aún lo pueden hacer! Visiten www.usccb.org/africa. El sitio web #iGiveCatholicTogether También acepta donativos para el Fondo de Solidaridad, entren a usccb.igivecatholictogether.org/organizations/usccb-church-in-africa.