



**“Justice at the Margins” - Virtual Catholic Social Ministry Gathering
January 29-February 1, 2022. Pre-events will occur on January 28.**

2022 Financial Assistance Application

Instructions: To apply for financial assistance to attend the virtual Catholic Social Ministry Gathering (CSMG) 2022, please complete all required fields below and send the completed application to csmg@usccb.org. Funding is available on a first-come, first-serve basis until depleted. The application form will close on January 17, 2022.

The application is also available [in Spanish](#).

CSMG Registration: Scholarship recipients are not automatically registered for CSMG. For attendees who receive a scholarship, they will receive an awardee email with a registration code and are asked to register within five days after receiving the email. Do not register until you have received notification of acceptance.

Scholarship Criteria and Considerations: (Applicant must meet one or more of the following criteria):

1. Financial Need: We welcome applicants in situations of financial stress or need. Part-time and full-time students are welcome to apply.

2. Diversity: We welcome leaders and potential leaders from under-represented ethnic, cultural and disability communities who are also active in Catholic institutions, parishes, schools, and social service agencies.

3. Geographic Diversity: We welcome applicants from a variety of geographical settings. We particularly encourage participation from rural and mission dioceses.

Application Form:

1. First Name (**required**): _____
2. Last Name (**required**): _____
3. Job/Volunteer Title or Position (**required**): _____

4. (Arch)Diocese you live in or work/volunteer for (**required**): _____
5. Name of Your Parish (**required**): _____
6. Email address (**required**): _____
7. Your Phone Number (**required**): _____
Please insert dashes (i.e.: 000-000-0000).
8. Please enter your home Congressional District: _____
9. Are you a student? (**required**): _____
10. Do you have experience with legislative/advocacy work at any level (local, state, national)? Explain (**required**).
(i.e max character count of 500)
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11. Are you experiencing financial need or economic hardship? (**required**): _____
12. What financial need or economic help are you experiencing?
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Demographic Data**

This demographic data is collected with the intent to inform future outreach efforts.

13. What is your gender?
- a. Female
 - b. Male
 - c. Prefer not to answer
14. Ethnicity
- a. White or Caucasian
 - b. Black or African American
 - c. Hispanic or Latino

- d. Asian or Pacific Islander/Asian American
 - e. American Indian or Alaska Native
 - f. Biracial
 - g. Another Race
15. Do you have a disability?
- a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Prefer not to answer
16. In a few sentences, please describe your experience with or interest in social ministry.
(i.e. 500 max character count)

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17. What do you hope to learn at Virtual CSMG 2022?
In a few sentences, please tell us what you hope to learn/share at Virtual CSMG 2022?
How will this influence your work/ministry? How will you incorporate this
experience/learning into your work/ministry? (i.e. 500 max. character count)

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18. Is this your first time attending CSMG?
- Yes
 - No
19. How many times have you attended CSMG in the past?
- 0
 - 1-2

3-4

I have attended 5 or more times

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Submission Page**

By electronically signing this application, I acknowledge the following:

- If I receive a scholarship, I pledge to keep my commitment to attend CSMG, including all CSMG sessions and Hill visits with the offices that represent my home district. If I cannot attend, I will let the CSMG staff know at csmg@usccb.org before Jan. 21 to get a refund.
- I understand that I am expected to stay involved in CSMG follow-up activities, including post-CSMG evaluation conference call.
- I understand that this scholarship award is only valid for the 2022 Virtual Gathering.

Please submit this application to csmg@usccb.org.

Please direct any questions to CSMGcontractor@usccb.org (see section 1 for reference).
Inquiries in Spanish are welcome.

For further information visit www.catholic-social-ministry-gathering.org.

By filling in my name, I am electronically signing this document

Name: _____

Today's Date: _____