

Vision Statement

St. Paul tells us that, in Christ, a new creation is breaking in, challenging the structures of oppression and inequality. Over the course of the next three years, the Social Ministry Committee will challenge and confront our parishes in positive ways to understand the facts of poverty and injustice while supporting and affirming faith and action from each parish in meeting the needs of the poor and oppressed and in the struggle against the causes of pain and suffering.”

Mission Statement

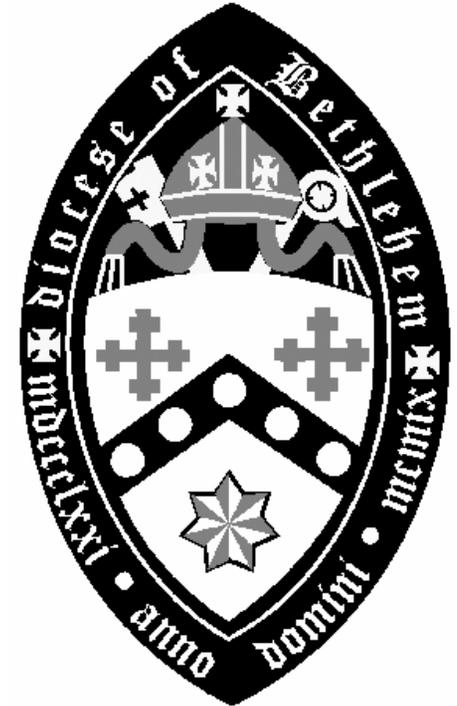
The Mission of the Social Ministries Committee of the Diocese of Bethlehem is: to promote and support the commitment of parishes to be instruments of God’s love and justice with people in need through advocacy, education, hospitality and service.”

Ministry Description

A people who live God’s love understand that we must be listeners and doers of God’s Word. The efforts of the Social Ministry Committee are focused *to support and promote the commitment of parishes to be instruments of God’s love and justice with people in need through advocacy, education, hospitality, and service.* Each parish, recognized as a community of faith and action, with a unique personality and plentiful gifts for manifesting God’s presence in the building of a world of justice and peace, is challenged and confronted to struggle with the world, for the world, in the name of Jesus.”

*The Episcopal Diocese
Of Bethlehem*

**SOCIAL MINISTRY
GRANT**



*Social Ministry
Parish Funding Opportunity*

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SOCIAL MINISTRIES-JUBILEE
COMMITTEE
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The Social Ministries-Jubilee Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem is accepting proposals for:

**The Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem
SOCIAL MINISTRY GRANT**

The committee seeks to encourage out-reach projects that:

- 1) help bring about systemic change and satisfy specific, local, neighborhood needs, and,
- 2) creatively and effectively contribute to a greater awareness among parishioners and neighbors of the local Episcopal parish community as a place where people are “doers of the word and not hearers only,” [James 1:22], making true our national Episcopal motto, “*We’re here for you!*”

Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants include all diocesan parishes and associate ministries of the Diocese of Bethlehem.

Amount of Award

\$1000

Application Due Date

September 18, 2006

Send FOUR Copies to:

**Social Ministry-Jubilee Committee
Attn: The Rev. John Major
Diocese of Bethlehem
333 Wyandotte Street
Bethlehem, PA 18015**

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The proposal should include a typed narrative of the following information,
in the order stated:

Proposal Cover Sheet

A proposal cover sheet briefly describing the parish, the project to be funded, and an overview of recent and current social ministry programs and activities.

Statement of the Vestry

A statement of the vestry authorizing the request and agreeing to carry out the project if funded.

Statement of the Rector

A statement of recommendation by the rector or priest in charge.

Need Description

A concise description of the need to be met by the project and how the project will contribute to a systemic change addressing people’s needs and a greater awareness among parishioners and neighbors of the Episcopal parish community as a place where people are “*doers of the Word, and not hearers only*” (James 1:22), making true our national Episcopal motto, “*We’re here for you!*”

Project Description

A detailed description of the project including strategies, measurable objectives and project timetable.

Contact Names

Contact names and detailed contact information of the project coordinator(s).

Budget

A detailed budget including a list of other sources of funding for the project including those both pending and approved.

Evaluation Plan

A narrative describing the plan to evaluate the effectiveness of the project.

Applications must be
received at
Diocesan House by
September 18, 2006
Thank you