



## Human Concerns Ministry Grant Application 2025

July 7, 2025

Dear partner in ministry,

On behalf of Saint Bridget Catholic Church, I am pleased to provide the 2025 Human Concerns Ministry Grant Application for your consideration. Please review the enclosed application and note the specific requests for information in each section.

Saint Bridget Catholic Church is committed to supporting organizations like yours by providing funding and opportunities for our members to be a part of the work you do here in our community.

The information you provide will be used to assess the impact our gift will have through your organization and provide valuable opportunities for our parish members. If you have established volunteer(s) currently from Saint Bridget, please include that information in the application in the space provided.

We hope this opportunity can be of benefit to the work you do here in our community. If you have any questions about this process or the information included, please contact me for further assistance. Thank you for the good work you do here in Richmond!

Sincerely,

*Jo Ellen Schneider*

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Director of Social Ministry  
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# Saint Bridget Catholic Church

## Human Concerns Ministry Grant Application

### Guidelines

The 2025 St. Bridget grant application deadline is **September 30, 2025**. Please complete the attached application (**preferably electronically**) to [jschneider@saintbridgetchurch.org](mailto:jschneider@saintbridgetchurch.org):

Saint Bridget Catholic Church  
Attention Jo Ellen Schneider  
6006 Three Chopt Road  
Richmond, Virginia 23226

### Our Mission

By engaging our parishioners in Social Ministries at Saint Bridget; we seek to provide a conduit to aid in mobilizing our members to meet community needs through direct service.

### Program Area

We seek to use the Social Ministry budget at Saint Bridget to engage our parishioners in the outreach needs of our community. We are seeking to build reciprocal relationships with organizations selected by **providing funding to those organizations that have opportunities for our parishioners**. In some cases, this may already be the case; in others we invite you to help us recruit our people to become volunteers and/or board members within your organization.

While charity is important **we will put a premium on organizations that get at the root of problems and engage our parishioners with the poor and oppressed in our community**. It is in this engagement we hope to transform the word of our Faith into action for our parishioners.

### Saint Bridget does not make grants to:

1. Individuals
2. Programs located outside the metropolitan Richmond area
3. Fundraisers or gala events
4. To any organization that counsels for or promotes abortion or anything else that may be against Catholic Social Teaching
5. Organizations that promote one political party or candidate over another

### Budget

We will review proposals from your organization for projects ranging from \$250 up to \$8,000. Please be certain to provide details about your total funding if your project exceeds that amount. Organizations that are selected will be awarded through a disbursement in March and July of 2026. You will be notified as to the status of your grant by November 3, 2025.

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### SECTION ONE: CONTACT INFORMATION

Date of Submission:	
Name of Organization:	
Address:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	
Website:	
Name/Title of person submitting application:	
EIN /Federal Tax ID	

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**Signature of Executive Director or Board Chair**

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**Date**

Please provide us a list of Saint Bridget Parishioners who are currently volunteering for your organization and what they do as a volunteer:

<b>Names of Volunteer(s)</b>	<b>Volunteer Position or Duties</b>

Please attach additional paper as necessary.

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**Please submit a *brief* narrative, including brochures, which covers the sections and topics listed below. If any of the information asked for is included in a brochure you are providing please indicate *see brochure* next to the question.**

#### **SECTION TWO: ORGANIZATION INFORMATION**

1. Mission of organization
2. Brief History of organization (1 paragraph)
3. Amount being requested
4. List or Board members for the organization (Name, role, term)

#### **SECTION THREE: REQUEST**

Type of support requested – funds, volunteers or both?

1. Purpose of the project request for which you need support/volunteers.
2. How does your organization utilize volunteers (what will they do and how many hours must each work)?
3. Are you willing to help recruit volunteers and if so how would you like to do it? (Note that we will use much of the information provided, if done well, for recruitment.)

#### **SECTION FOUR: BUDGET**

1. Please provide a Statement of Financial Position/Balance Sheet for the organization for the last 2 years.
2. Please provide a Statement of Activity or Profit and Loss for the organization for the last 2 years.
3. Total project budget highlighting where you would use the funds awarded. Again, if total project needs exceed the outlined amount available through this grant, please provide additional resources/grants you have applied for or been awarded. You could also list other fundraisers the organization may be planning to assist the project/need.
4. If you have been awarded previously, please provide feedback on the results from the support.

#### **SECTION FIVE: Want Ad for Our Bulletin (Optional)**

Organizations selected will be featured in a spotlight in an effort to help gain additional advocates for your ministry/project. We would like to advertise and build support through our parish. If this could be helpful for your long-term needs, please submit to us based on the example below. We will contact you ahead of any publication to verify the latest needs and possible special events that we could showcase by way of the contact information included in your application.

##### **Sample Want Ad for Our Bulletin**

**“Volunteers Wanted.** Our hope is to sell Fair trade coffee, tea and hot cocoa each month on the fourth Sunday of the month beginning in March. Our team is growing but we still need more folks especially a coordinator. This is a 20 to 30-minute commitment after mass no more than once a month (less if we have plenty of volunteers). The proceeds go toward our Neighbor to Neighbor Network and help parishioners in financial difficulty. For more information, contact Joe Smith at 804-282-9511 x311 or [jsmith@saintbridgetchurch.org](mailto:jsmith@saintbridgetchurch.org)”