

REPORT OF GRANTS COMMITTEE TO DIOCESAN CONVENTION  
November 16, 2024

The Grants Committee reviews applications and makes recommendations to Diocesan Council. The total amount for grants is included in the Diocesan budget each year.

The following grants were awarded by Diocesan Council in June:

St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry Increased need for essential supplies	\$5,000
Trinity, Portland Laundry Love increased need	\$5,000
St. Barnabas Essentials Pantry, Rumford Supplies for basic needs	\$2,500
St. George's, Sanford Baby Blessings – expansion of existing Ministry to new Mainers	\$2,500
Christ Church, Gardiner For Morne Rosette School, Haiti	\$ 2,500
St. Nicholas, Scarborough For Konbit Sante, shipping medical supplies to Haiti	\$2,500
Total	\$20,000

Applications for the remaining \$8,000 in the 2024 grant budget will be reviewed and recommended to Diocesan Council at the December meeting.

Our grant application process is currently being reviewed and revised. To explain and discuss our revisions, and to encourage more congregations to apply for assistance to support their current work and enable them to consider engaging in new ministries, the Grants Committee is scheduled to host a Town Hall on January 14, 2025. Specifics will be included in future Diocesan communications. We hope those who have received grants in the past and those who have never applied will all consider attending.

The current chair, the Rev. Ted Gaiser, replaced the Rev. Thom Rock who resigned in September. Other Committee members include Lucia Elder, the Rev. Rebecca Grant and the Rev. Lynn Rutledge.