

**Allegany Franciscan Ministries
2009 ACOR Grant Summaries**

Allegany Franciscan Ministries 2009 ACOR Grant Program awarded a total of \$152,500 to not for profit organizations. The goal of the ACOR Grant Program is to support the community-based work of the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany.

Benedict Haven, St. Petersburg, Florida

Your Heart Our Home \$5,000

Support printing and marketing material cost for marketing plan developed by University of South Florida graduate students. The plan includes a donor information packet to increase the visibility and operational funding for the organization.

Bread for the World Institute, Washington, DC

The Hunger Report: A New and Inclusive Vision for the Economy \$5,000

Support costs of publishing Hunger Report: A New and Inclusive Vision for the Economy for 2010. The report seeks to change the existing systems that cause inequalities.

Bushwick Housing Independence Project, Brooklyn, New York

Protecting Working Tenants \$5,000

Support staff position that will interview tenants, document the percentage of income dedicated to rent, organize groups to present testimony to city council members and document the impact of rent hikes on working families who are making minimum wage or slightly above. This is in response to recently authorized rent increases for tenants by the Rent Guidelines Board.

Canticle Farm, Allegany, New York

Donated Food Share Program \$5,000

Provide fresh produce to ten local organizations. The organizations include a homeless shelter, domestic violence shelter, food pantry, soup kitchen, and a day treatment center for mentally ill adults.

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, St. Petersburg, Florida

Pinellas Hope \$5,000

Purchase four casitas (housing units) for collaborative homeless project in Pinellas County and an outdoor grill. Pinellas Hope is a collaborative effort to assist homeless persons in the Tampa Bay area.

Catholic Health East, Newtown Square, Pennsylvania

Healthcare for the Homeless \$5,000

Scholarships for Catholic Health East system leaders who manage programs providing health care for the homeless to attend the 2009 National Health Care for the Homeless Council Conference & Policy Symposium in Washington, DC.

Convento Nossa Senhora da Divina Providencia, Araguacema, Tocantins, Brazil

Defense of the Environment \$3,000

Continue environmental education and advocacy work in the Diocese of Cristalandia. Prepare brochures and informational materials to share with the community.

**Dr. Lyle F. Renodin Foundation, Allegany, New York
Renodin Foundation - Spring 2010 Grant Cycle \$5,000**

Provide funding to enable the foundation to award grants to non-profits in the Allegany, NY area. Grants will be awarded for the purchase of beds for babies, food vouchers, transportation, clothing, utility assistance, prescription assistance and rent payments for the homeless, sick or abused.

**Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy, Tampa, Florida
St. Ambrose Clinic \$5,000**

Install water connection to clinic in Uganda. Grant funds support the purchase of a water tank, build a water tower, water pump, cement blocks and labor.

**Franciscan Action Network, Washington, DC
Interconnect \$5,000**

Pay for a new outreach and growth coordinator to secure new members, organize and empower the communications and development person from each entity in social justice advocacy, and act as a liaison for staff, the Action Commission, and institutional members.

**Franciscan Center, Tampa, Florida
Freedom From Hurt: Healing Groups for Incarcerated Survivors of Sexual Abuse
\$5,000**

Support program-related presenter fees, notebooks and supplies, and food. Program includes two therapy groups for incarcerated survivors of sexual abuse. Individuals participate in the residential work release program administered by Goodwill Industries in Pinellas County.

**Franciscan Sisters of Allegany - Brazil Region, Anapolis, Goias, Brazil
Health and Nutrition Education \$5,000**

Provide medication, food, and education on nutrition for poor women in Anapolis, Brazil.

**Franciscan Sisters of Allegany - Brazil Region, Anapolis, Goias, Brazil
Project of Support to Communities Confronting Poverty \$5,000**

Provide information and assistance on access to medical benefits, retirement benefits, healthcare and human rights for the poor of Macajuba, Brazil.

**Gerard Place Housing Development Fund Company, Buffalo, New York
Community Health and Nutrition Program \$5,000**

Provide health education classes and two health fairs a year for the underserved population of Buffalo, New York. Gerard Place is a transitional housing and supportive services program. It is expanding to meet more community needs.

**Global Health Ministry, Newtown Square, Pennsylvania
Haiti Mission Trip \$5,000**

Provide medicine and supplies for the October 2009 medical mission trip which will include 16 volunteers from the healthcare profession. Global Health Ministry, a member of Catholic Health East, sends medical teams to communities in Latin America and the Caribbean.

**Holy Cross Hospital, Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Community Outreach Mobile Medical \$5,000**

Assist with supplies and equipment for new mobile medical unit. Vehicle will offer Medicaid/KidCare applications, childhood and adult immunizations, HIV, blood pressure, diabetes and cholesterol screening and exams.

**Long Beach Island Community Center, Brant Beach, New Jersey
Human Concerns Program \$5,000**

Provide financial support for Human Concerns Program that for 25 years that has provided home utility assistance (gas, electric, etc.) to single female head of households who have lost employment.

**Mercy Center, Bronx, New York
Family Development Program \$5,000**

Program supports 50 struggling immigrant families. Grant funds will pay for food and bus rental for Family Weekends and Family Picnic.

**Mercy Hospital, Portland, Maine
McAuley - Women's Expenses for Living & Learning \$5,000**

Coaching, mentoring, and living expenses for school or career training. McAuley Residence is a transitional housing program for women and their children. Women are taught life long skills to achieve financial independence.

**Mercy Hospital Foundation, Miami, Florida
Pap Smear Kits for Cervical Cancer Screening at St. John Bosco/Corpus Christi Clinics \$5,000**

Provide pap smear kits for the St. John Bosco and Corpus Christi clinics. Women between the ages of 18 and 40 will also be referred to Jackson Memorial for HPV vaccines and follow up appointments when appropriate.

**Mercy Medical Center, Springfield, Massachusetts
Health Care for the Homeless - The Stories We Carry \$5,000**

Support a writing project that will share stories of the homeless. Specifically, funds will pay a part-time mental health worker and purchase computer-related equipment.

**Our Lady of Lourdes Health Foundation, Camden, New Jersey
Community Health Practice - Bilingual Community Health Worker & Health
Education \$5,000**

Pay a portion of the salary and benefits for a Bilingual Community Health Worker and purchase preventative health and nutrition education materials for free health clinic and mobile health outreach service provider.

**Pittsburgh Mercy Foundation, Wexford, Pennsylvania
Operation Safety Net - Medications \$5,000**

Purchase medicines including antibiotics and supplies for wound care to re-package and dispense to homeless clients. Operation Safety Net is a health care outreach program that provides direct medical care, case management, mental health and housing for the homeless.

**PLANT, Shepherdstown, West Virginia
Project Taruma in Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil \$5,000**

Support for agro-ecology training for poor heads of households, focusing on sustainable and healthy ways to feed families in Manaus, Brazil. PLANT is a new organization collaborating to bring justice to those in Amazonas & sub-Saharan Africa.

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Tampa, Florida
Prison Outreach Ministry \$5,000**

Provide financial assistance to those in prison, those who are awaiting release and those who get released and are stranded or go to the parish for help. Program helps inmates about to be or recently released with basic needs & avoiding homelessness.

**Saint Michael's Medical Center, Newark, New Jersey
Lifting Spirits: Resiliency Breast Cancer Sisters Survive \$2,500**

Support for dual spirituality in the workplace and patient care management program. The program is a one day retreat for patients and a separate day for staff. Funding will assist with supplies, food, and scholarships.

**Santa Casa de Misericordia de Anapolis, Anapolis, Goias, Brazil
Life and Health \$5,000**

Purchase equipment such as wheel chairs, an acrylic crib, stretchers, a bath chair, and hospital linens for a community hospital that serves the poor.

**St. Anthony's Health Care Foundation, St. Petersburg, Florida
Ethics Symposium/Continuing Medical Education \$2,000**

Provide a speaker stipend for an ethics symposium for physicians and hospital staff. The training focuses on integrating spirituality into the practice of medicine. Dr. Daniel Sulmasy, OFM, MD will be the speaker.

St. Joseph's Hospital Foundation, Tampa, Florida

Music at the Bedside \$5,000

Pay part-time salary for Certified Music Practitioner to assist designated patients with the dying process.

St. Luke Catholic School, Palm Springs, Florida

Student Health Education & Radio Response \$5,000

Provide health education classes and good hygiene skills for students and two-way radios for employees in order to communicate more efficiently if an emergency occurs. The school serves an increasingly diverse community on a 10-acre campus.

St. Mary Medical Center Foundation, Langhorne, Pennsylvania

Home Safe Home: Reducing Childhood Injuries in the Poor \$5,000

Provide home safety supplies and education classes on home safety to new parents and parents of young children who are generally working poor and live below the poverty line. St. Mary's serves one of the poorest communities in Pennsylvania.

St. Peter's Hospital Foundation, Albany, New York

Ronald McDonald Care Mobile \$5,000

Purchase dental instruments and disposable supplies for dental hygienist to provide care at a middle school prior to care mobile's visit.