

Outreach Grants Committee

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Grace Episcopal Church has a long history of providing financial gifts, subsidies, and grants to many social programs and organizations throughout the world and within the Diocese. In addition to these grants, Grace parishioners regularly volunteer their time at many of the organizations that Grace financially supports. Outreach ministry at Grace Episcopal Church continues to make a positive effect on the lives of many. Thank you to the members of the committee and the entire parish for their continued support of Grace's outreach activities.

It is the objective of the Outreach Committee to make grants to local, regional and national causes that may have a connection with Grace Parishioners, and the diocese. During 2018, the demand for services from food pantries, soup kitchens and homeless shelters continued to remain strong. The goal of the committee is to continue to provide grants to these worthy causes. If any parishioners are aware of social programs that may be interested in applying for such grants, please direct them to someone on the Outreach Committee.

2018 Outreach Gift Recipients

World and National

- Episcopal Relief & Development: Hurricanes, wildfires, etc.
- Seaman's Church Institute: Pastoral care for Mariners
- Episcopal Divinity School: UTS-Gifts in honor of The Reverend Michel Belt
- Union Theological Seminary: Gifts in honor of The Reverend Richard (Max) Maxwell

Diocese and Regional

- Apostles House: Homeless shelter, food pantry, advocacy
- Chaplaincy Program MCCF: Annual support
- Church of the Good Shepherd Wantage: Food pantry
- Community of St. John Baptist: Good Shepherd Home, Day-top retreat
- Faith Kitchen: Food pantry
- Grace Counseling Center: Annual support
- Heartworks: 9/11 ongoing support
- House of Prayer, Newark: Annual health fair
- Family Promise of Morris County: Emergency shelter /food for families
- Madison Eagle Christmas Fund: Annual support
- Madison Rotary Club: "End Hunger 3.6 "
- Madison Volunteer Ambulance Dept.
- Newark School of Theology: Scholarships/support
- North Porch: Formula, diapers, baby food drop in centers
- Our Promise: Drop in center for homeless
- St. Paul's CDC: Food pantry

Youth

- Crossroads Camp & Retreat: Spiritual retreat center
- Diocese of Newark Prison Ministry: Mentoring programs
- Haven of Hope for Kids: Retreat center for terminally ill children
- Project Community Pride: Counseling program for youth at risk
- St.Luke's-Afghan School Project: Pen pal program

*****Total Gifts paid 2018=\$33,500*****

In addition to above, \$3,580 was raised from the 2018 "Souper Bowl" collection and was donated to the Community Soup Kitchen, "End Hunger 3.6" and Faith Kitchen.

The Church provided space at a subsidized charge to numerous organizations, including the Grace Counseling Center.

Grace parishioners have been very generous in donating time and money directly to causes such as the Community Soup Kitchen, , the Re_Start Ministry and many other outreach organizations.

Outreach Committee Members-2018:

*Michael Ling, The Rev. Susan Ironside,
The Rev. Richard (Max) Maxwell, The Rev. Michel Belt, Kit
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