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ATLANTA—According to Nancy Coveny, executive director, the Catholic Foundation of North Georgia issued 25 grants totaling \$115,700 in the Spring of 2012. These grants will provide support to a variety of causes throughout the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

***The following 17 grants from the Spring General Grants Program were funded by the Foundation's Community Services Fund, the Conrads Education Fund, the General Fund, and the Nellie Dodd McAdams Fund:***

**Advice & Aid Pregnancy Problem Center (Hapeville) \$5,000** to replace an outdated roof and gutter system.

**Archdiocese of Atlanta (Smyrna) \$5,000** to fund scholarships (matched by the Archdiocesan Office of Stewardship) for eight pastors or staff to attend the 2012 ICSC conference in Chicago.

**Atlanta Mission (Atlanta) \$3,000** to support the emergency shelter and programs for Atlanta's homeless men, women and children.

**Buckhead Christian Ministry (Atlanta) \$2,500** to support the Transitional Housing Program for homeless families and the 70/30 project for families at risk of homelessness.

**Catholic Charities Atlanta (Atlanta) \$5,000** to purchase technology that will improve communications at satellite offices.

**Catholic Foundation Endowment Fund (Atlanta) \$5,000** to build the endowment which will support the work of the Catholic Foundation well into the future.

**Christ the King School (Atlanta) \$10,000** to complete Energy Efficiency Campaign renovations.

**Friends of L'Arche Atlanta (Decatur) \$2,500** to assist in hiring assistants and providing training orientation programs required to open the first L'Arche community home in Atlanta.

**John Paul II Training Center (Gainesville) \$2,500** to support daily operations and numerous spiritual and children's programs for the poor in the Gainesville community.

**LIFESPAN Resources (Atlanta) \$3,200** to expand the Day Club program serving frail seniors and seniors with dementia or Alzheimer's disease.

**Our Lady of Mercy High School (Fayetteville) \$30,000** to replace the outdated HVAC system.

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church (Carrollton) \$1,650** to support the costs of running and insuring two new buses and the youth summer mission trip.

**Post Abortion Treatment and Healing (Chamblee) \$4,350** to increase service to Hispanic women and men in the community who are suffering emotionally and spiritually following an abortion experience.

**Senior Services North Fulton (Roswell) \$3,000** to provide seniors with transportation to healthcare appointments through the Transportation Options Program for Seniors (TOPS).

**Sophia Academy (Atlanta) \$10,000** to support the cost of transitioning to an official Catholic school, provide training of staff, and purchase supplies.

**St. Joseph Catholic School (Marietta) \$10,000** to purchase items that will bring new learning methods to students using touch-pad technology.

**The Sullivan Center (Atlanta) \$5,000** to provide stabilization to and basic needs for families in order to prevent eviction and homelessness.

***The following eight Parish Enrichment Grants were funded by the Foundation's General Fund and approved by the Catholic Foundation's Pastors Advisory Council:***

**Catholic Church of St. Ann (Marietta) \$1,000** to purchase a portable PA system for traveling performances to nursing homes made by the volunteer ensemble group, The Evangelists.

**Queen of Angels Catholic Church (Thomson) \$1,000** to renovate the restrooms in the Parish Hall and bring them up to handicap accessible code.

**St. Helena Catholic Mission (Clayton) \$1,000** to repair the parish HVAC system.

**St. Joseph Catholic Church (Athens) \$1,000** to purchase software for St. Joseph Charities, the emergency financial assistance ministry of the church.

**St. Peter the Rock Catholic Church (The Rock) \$1,000** to purchase books, periodicals, and materials in Spanish needed to meet the needs of expanding multi-cultural CCD program.

**St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church (Alpharetta) \$1,000** to fund the "Walk Through Bethlehem" intergenerational event in early December 2012, also open to communities outside of St. Thomas Aquinas church.

**Transfiguration Catholic Church (Marietta) \$1,000** to support the costs of hosting the Catechist Formation Day supporting all parishes in the the North Metro and Northwest Metro deaneries.

**Transfiguration Catholic Church (Marietta) \$1,000** to support the purchase and installation of TV monitors in 16 classrooms that provide instruction in the religious education programs, preschool through grade 12, adult education, Catechist certification, and a variety of other parish ministries.

**The next deadline of the General and Parish Enrichment grant programs is September 30, 2012 (applications will be accepted through the end of the day on October 1, 2012). To receive the current application, please email the Foundation at [grants@cfnga.org](mailto:grants@cfnga.org) or visit the website at [www.cfnga.org](http://www.cfnga.org).**