



## Pro-life Sunday Grant Application Guidelines

The annual Pro-life Sunday Collection takes place each year on Father's Day. This collection throughout the Archdiocese of Vancouver raises funds to help local and national pro-life groups and organization to fund projects to further the pro-life cause. Each year the funds go to support local pro-life groups, crisis pregnancy centres, anti-euthanasia groups, university pro-life groups, post-abortion ministry and others.

The distribution of the funds will be handled through a grant application process. To be eligible for the Pro-life Sunday funds, an entity must satisfy the criteria in these Application Guidelines and submit a completed grant application.

Please bear in mind that because of limited financial resources available for grant making, eligibility does not guarantee funding. If granted, funds will be made available by the end of October.

### Application Process

#### 1. Eligibility:

- a. The program and grant beneficiary must be located within the geographic area served by the Archdiocese of Vancouver.
- b. The project for which funding is requested must conform to the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church.
- c. The applying entity must provide a copy of its previous year's financial statement to the Life, Marriage and Family Office.

#### 2. Limitations:

- a. Grants are approved on a year-to-year basis, and are not automatically renewable.
- b. Grants are not made for:
  - payments on prior incurred debt
  - individuals
  - contributions to general fundraising campaigns
  - endowment funds
  - research projects, surveys, planning and feasibility studies, etc.
  - normal operational expenses
  - parish projects or programs



### 3. Priority

The following priorities will be considered in awarding grants:

- a. Projects will help to further education in the pro-life cause in the Archdiocese of Vancouver
- b. Projects will be timely with upcoming legislation in pro-life causes.
- c. Projects will develop future leadership for pro-life organizations and/or the pro-life movement.

### 4. Submission Instructions

- a. Applications for consideration must be received or postmarked no later than: September 15<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Inquiries and completed grant applications should be forwarded to:  
**Life, Marriage and Family Office**  
**Pro-life Sunday Grant Application**  
**4885 Saint John Paul II Way,**  
**Vancouver BC V5Z 0G3**  
**Phone: 604.683.0281**  
**Email: [olmf@rcav.org](mailto:olmf@rcav.org)**
- c. The grant application must include the following:
  - i. Original grant application form.
  - ii. Previous year's financial statements
  - iii. A budget to support your request.
  - iv. Any letters of recommendation or endorsement (optional).
  - v. A copy of the tax exempt status letter, if a non-diocesan entity.

### 5. Other Requirements

- a. Applications must be endorsed by the authorized official of the governing body of the applying entity.
- b. Recipients of the Pro-life Sunday grants are required to submit a report on the use of funds they have received.