

**BISHOP ROGER GRIES
GOOD SHEPHERD FUND
DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND CYO GUIDELINES**



Mission:

The Bishop Roger Gries Good Shepherd Fund was established in 2007 to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of CYO Athletics in the Diocese of Cleveland. Since 2007 \$720,000 has been distributed to CYO organizations. The fund is named after Auxiliary Bishop Roger Gries, a fine athlete whose rich legacy includes a deep love of CYO. The Bishop Roger Gries Good Shepherd Fund serves the CYO mission to inspire young people to know God, love God and serve God through athletics in the Diocese of Cleveland by providing financial resources to CYO Member organizations. These funds are used to build and promote an excellent, sustainable CYO program that is accessible to all eligible youth and families regardless of their ability to pay.

Bishop Roger Gries Good Shepherd Fund Goals:

1. Provide financial grants of \$500 to \$4,000 to CYO Member organizations in good standings to support CYO programs;
2. Provide supplementary funding for student participation, sports equipment, uniforms, and facilities;
3. Seek and form collaborative partnerships with organizations to provide financial and material benefits to CYO member organizations and families;
4. Obtain resources that benefit CYO member organizations, coaches, parents, athletes, and families; and
5. Provide financial resources for training and formation of CYO leaders at the parish and diocesan levels.

Types of Projects:

The Bishop Roger Gries CYO Good Shepherd Fund seeks to make a direct impact on the lives of CYO Athletic Programs in our community. Aid for athlete participation, sports equipment, uniforms, facilities, leadership training for program leaders for Diocese of Cleveland CYO programs in need as well as projects that would otherwise “fall through the cracks,” and emergency situations that are without options are suitable for application to this Fund. The Bishop Roger Gries CYO Good Shepherd Funds cannot be allocated for coaching stipends, transportation fees or cost for coaches training outside of CYO.

Geographic Area:

Diocese of Cleveland CYO Partners and affiliates throughout eleven counties (Ashland, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Medina, Summit, Wayne, Huron, Stark & Portage) of its service area are invited to apply.

Grant Amounts:

The range for grants will be \$500-\$4,000. A CYO partner may only receive a maximum of \$4,000 during the one year grant cycle that runs from 8/1 - 6/1. Consideration for grants will be based on frequencies of distributions throughout the year.

Deadlines:

- Applications can be downloaded online
 - They are due to CYO Athletic Office by October 1, March 1 and May 1 for the upcoming grant cycle which begins on August 1.
- Emergency applications can be made to the CYO Athletic Office. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis relevant to the context of the request and the funds available for distribution.

**FUNDING REQUESTS MAY BE MAILED OR EMAILED TO:
CYO ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATOR
DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND CYO ATHLETIC OFFICE
7911 DETROIT AVENUE, CLEVELAND, OHIO 44102
CYOBISHOPROGERGRIESFUND@CCDOCLE.ORG**

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GRANT APPLICATION

Organization name:			
Organization address:			
Project name:			
Application type:			
Contact person:			
Phone:	E-mail:		
Has your organization previously submitted a request?	YES ☐ NO ☐	IF YES WHEN? Date: _____	

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Number of people to be impacted by grant:			
For what purpose will the grant be used?			
Nature of program/project & how project will assist in meeting this need.			
Approval Signatures (must be signed)			Date:
Member Athletic Director: _____			
Member Administrator: _____			

TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$ _____



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PROPOSED BUDGET

Organization name:

Project title:

Contact name:

Need	Amount requested	Details (please provide breakdown & <u>attach</u> itemized list/bid/shopping cart showing amount requested)

PLEASE BE SURE THE APPLICATION AND PROPOSED BUDGET ARE COMPLETED PRIOR TO SUBMISSION. A CYO MEMBER GRANT MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED UNTIL ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED.

TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$_____

CYO STAFF ONLY:

APPLICATION: APPROVED ☐ AMOUNT \$_____ DECLINED ☐ REASON:_____ DATE:_____

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