



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 \$630,000 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 participate.

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 7/1- 6/30. Requests in excess of this range, with substantiated extraordinary circumstances may be considered.

Deadlines:

- Applications can be downloaded online
 - They are due to CYO Athletic Office by May 1, October 1 and March 1, for the upcoming grant cycle which begins on July 1. Announcements of the awards will be made within 3 weeks of the application deadlines.
- 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 TO:
CYO ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATOR
DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND CYO ATHLETIC OFFICE
7911 DETROIT AVENUE, CLEVELAND, OHIO 44102**

**FUNDING REQUESTS MAY BE EMAILED TO:
CYO ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATOR
JAMIE.MEWHINNEY@CCDOCLE.ORG**



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GRANT APPLICATION

Organization name:	
Organization address:	
Project name:	
Application type:	
Contact person:	

Phone:	E-mail:
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Has your organization previously submitted a request?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	IF YES WHEN? Date: _____
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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: \$ _____

