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CRS RICE BOWL GRANT CRITERIA and GUIDELINES

Each Lent the parishes and schools of our diocese participate in Catholic Relief Services (CRS) *Rice Bowl* program. Of the funds collected, 75% support CRS's development programs worldwide. The remaining 25% of the *CRS Rice Bowl* funds are distributed to our diocesan parish, school, and community outreach programs right here at home. CRS values the efforts our diocese makes to serve those in our own community who hunger and thirst for nourishment of body and soul in their everyday lives. The amount of the individual grants will range from \$250 to \$500.

- 1) All programs must be recognized as affiliated with the Diocese of Palm Beach.
- 2) Grants do not imply subsequent years of funding.
- 3) Grants are provided for the sole purpose of direct aid to people in need: food, clothing, medical, shelter. This year, grants will also be awarded for raising awareness of an aspect of Catholic Social Teaching and implementing a related activity.
- 4) Applicants must complete and submit the attached application signed by parish pastor, school principal, or community program director.
- 5) All grantees are requested to advertise CRS as a co-funder of your outreach programs and announce the grant to your parishioners, students, and community in order to continue to raise awareness of the work of Catholic Relief Services in our diocese. In addition, we ask your cooperation with any publicity efforts regarding CRS or the grants.
- 6) Preference will be given to programs most in financial need.
- 7) Other strong considerations will be given to programs that
 - a) Involve multiple segments of the parish, school or organization in their outreach program, particularly the youth.
 - b) Emphasize development of the individual not just aid.
 - c) Have increased participation in their CRS Rice Bowl program elements.

Deadline for submission of applications is Friday November 8, 2019. Mail or e-mail completed application to above addresses. To send by FAX, please CALL us to request the FAX number.



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