

2013 UNITED THANK OFFERING GRANT POLICY

The United Thank Offering Grant Session is held during the Spring United Thank Offering Board Meeting; announcement to follow said meeting and Grant Session. A final Statement of Accounting and report of all previous UTO grants in said diocese must be submitted before funds will be made available and released.

Project modification and time extension must be requested in writing and may or may not be approved by the United Thank Offering Board. The original intent of the grant award must remain the same. Grant monies are disbursed through the local diocese. Instructions for accessing granted funds are included in the Grant Award letter.

The United Thank Offering will accept one grant application per diocese within The Episcopal Church; one additional grant application for a companion diocese from dioceses of The Episcopal Church who choose to form a relationship with a diocese from The Episcopal Church or the greater Anglican Communion. The sponsoring diocese will be responsible for the oversight and accounting of said grant.

2013 UNITED THANK OFFERING GRANT CRITERIA

The United Thank Offering supports projects that target the two (2) identified Marks of Mission: (1) To respond to human need by loving service and (2) To seek to transform unjust structures of society.

The United Thank Offering supports projects:

- Alleviating poverty (domestic and international)
- Making significant impact
- Demonstrating new and innovative programs/projects/work
- Transforming unjust structures of society

The United Thank Offering will not fund:

- Project site two consecutive years
- Capital fund campaigns or debt reductions
- Deferred maintenance
- Operational budgets (meaning the proposed budget and program is the same as the year before)
- Debts obligated or incurred before the date of the grant award
- Purchase of consumable items (e.g., food, medicine, paper goods, toiletries, fuel, etc.)
- Scholarships, tuition, camp fees, and attendance incentives
- Emergency response

In Episcopal dioceses within the United States, the United Thank Offering will not fund:

- A vehicle with a 12 or 15 passenger chassis (due to stability and insurance matters)
- Previously funded requests
- Capital improvements that do not expand capacity to meet compelling human need or mission and ministry need in disadvantaged situations
- Programs regarded to be diocesan operating budgets

PLEASE NOTE: All vehicles purchased with granted funds from the United Thank Offering are property of and must remain within the Diocese.