

New Episcopal Communities Grants

Grant Review Form

Application Snapshot

New Episcopal community:

Reviewer name:

Diocese:

Amount requested:

Community type:

Reviewer Summary

In one sentence, what is this community's next faithful step?

Eligibility Requirements

Please mark "meets" or "does not meet" for each of the following:

Requirements	Meets	Does Not Meet	Unclear	Notes
Episcopal Identity – Clearly a community connected to The Episcopal Church and operating with diocesan oversight.				
Age – Beyond the discernment stage and less than 10 years old in actual (or developmental) years.				
Bishop's Endorsement – Clear support of and missional alignment with diocese.				
Operating Budget – Provided and realistic.				

Discernment Criteria

Please rate each area using the scale below and add notes where helpful.

1 = Unclear / Weak | 2 = Emerging | 3 = Promising | 4 = Strong

Criteria	1	2	3	4	Notes
Gospel & Discipleship – The community clearly shares the good news of Jesus Christ and forms disciples.					
Worship & Spiritual Life – The community gathers for prayer, worship, and spiritual formation.					
Clarity of Vision – The community has a clear vision and purpose for their ministry.					
Community Engagement – The ministry builds meaningful relationships in the surrounding community.					
Local Context – The ministry reflects an understanding of its local context and opportunities.					
Mission Reach – The ministry is engaging people who are not currently connected to an Episcopal congregation or are historically underrepresented in the church.					
Leadership & Diocesan Partnership – There is clear leadership and strong diocesan support.					
Next Faithful Step – The proposed next step is clear and appropriate for the stage of the community.					
Stewardship of Resources – The requested funds will meaningfully advance the ministry.					
Long-term Trajectory – The community shows the potential to become an enduring Episcopal community.					

Overall Discernment

Overall strengths of the application:

Questions or concerns:

Funding Recommendation

- Recommend funding
- Recommend partial funding**
- Promising but not ready yet
- Do not recommend funding

**Suggested grant amount: