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***Archdiocese of Indianapolis***

**Matthew 25: CRS Rice Bowl Grant**

***2024 Rice Bowl Grant Application Form***

**Matthew 25: 31-40**

*When the Son of*[*man*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=7463)*comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he*[*will*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=12332)*take his seat on his*[*throne*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=11541)*of glory.* *All nations*[*will*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=12332)*be assembled before him and he*[*will*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=12332)*separate people one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats.**He*[*will*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=12332)*place the sheep on his*[*right*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=10046)*hand and the goats on his left.* *Then the King*[*will*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=12332)*say to those on his*[*right*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=10046)*hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take as your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the*[*foundation*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=4807)*of the world.* *For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you made me welcome,* *lacking clothes and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me."*

*Then the upright*[*will*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=12332)*say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink?* *When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome, lacking clothes and clothe you?* *When did we find you sick or in prison and go to see you?"* *And the King*[*will*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=12332)*answer, "In*[*truth*](http://www.catholic.org/encyclopedia/view.php?id=11728)*I tell you, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me."*

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) carries out the commitment of the Bishops of the United States to assist the poor and vulnerable overseas. The Gospel of Jesus Christ motivates us to cherish, preserve and uphold the sacredness and dignity of all human life, foster charity and justice, and embody Catholic social and moral teaching as we act to:

* Promote human development by responding to major emergencies, fighting disease and poverty, and nurturing peaceful and just societies; and,
* Serve Catholics in the United States as they live their faith in solidarity with their brothers and sisters around the world.

As part of the universal mission of the Catholic Church, we work with local, national and international Catholic institutions and structures, as well as other organizations, to assist people on the basis of need, not creed, race or nationality.

The Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Lenten Program serves as one of the main fundraisers for CRS. CRS Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services’ Lenten faith-in-action program for parishes, schools and families. The program invites Catholics to live in solidarity with our poorest and most vulnerable brothers and sisters through the three Lenten pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. When you give to CRS Rice Bowl, 75% of your donations support CRS’ humanitarian relief programs in more than 100 countries worldwide. **The remaining 25% of your donations go to hunger and poverty alleviation efforts here in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.**

The Archdiocese of Indianapolis is offering grants for parishes, schools and faith-based organizations that are in relationship with the archdiocese, that aid in alleviating hunger and poverty in communities served by the archdiocese. *Examples would be soup kitchens, food pantries, homeless shelters and mentoring programs for families or individuals in need.*

**Application Deadline: All Applications must be received via email or mail by Monday, November 11, 2024. Submission information is in the Instructions below.**

**The amount of funding available is based on the 25% of the annual CRS Rice Bowl revenue that is returned to the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. For the 2024 Rice Bowl, we expect to award about 7 grants of $800 each.**

**Instructions**

Please **respond to all items** on the application, **including the Catholic Mission and Foundation question** on the last page. If, in your assessment, an item is not applicable to you, you may insert “n/a” in the space provided in the response. Please type all answers.

Mail completed form to:

Theresa Chamblee

Catholic Relief Services

1400 N. Meridian St.

Indianapolis, IN 46202

OR

E-mail completed form to: [tchamblee@archindy.org](mailto:tchamblee@archindy.org)

**Applicant Contact Information**

Date:

Agency/Parish/Organization Name:

Contact Person:

Address:

City: Zip code:

Telephone: Fax: E-Mail:

**Organization Information**

* Is this an initial grant or a renewal grant?

Initial Grant\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Renewal Grant\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Briefly describe your ministry and its mission. Is there something about your ministry that stands out when compared to similar ministries?
* Who is the target population for your ministry?
* How would your organization use the funds? **Please be specific, explaining the need.**
* Is your organization a Not-for-Profit?
* Do you have access to other funding sources? If yes, please be specific in your response and include those sources.
* Please attach a general budget for your organization. Include budget information that demonstrates how effectively your financial resources are managed.

**Catholic Mission and Foundation**

As an office of the U.S. Catholic Bishops, Catholic Relief Services is guided by the following principles of Catholic social and moral teaching: Respect for Human Life and Dignity, Priority for the Poor and Participation, Subsidiarity and Solidarity, and Strengthening Family and Building Community. Organizations that receive CRS Rice Bowl 25% Grants must not participate in or promote activities that contradict the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church. For example, organizations that support or promote same-sex marriage, discrimination, capital punishment, contraception, abortion, euthanasia, or punitive measures toward immigrants, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE for CRS Rice Bowl 25% Grant funding.

* Will your organization refrain from activities that contradict fundamental Catholic moral and social teaching? **Please answer YES or NO.**

\* Catholic Relief Services reserves the right to be able to use the name of any organization that has applied for and received a CRS Rice Bowl grant for promotional purposes of the program. This may include, but not be limited to, the featuring of the organization in a CRS article highlighting the CRS Rice Bowl Lenten program.

Signature: Date:

If you have questions, please contact Marilyn Ross, Rice Bowl Coordinator, at [mross@archindy.org](mailto:mross@archindy.org).