

Diocese of Des Moines
Operation Rice Bowl/Catholic Relief Service
Local Funding Application

Operation Rice Bowl embraces the traditional practices of Lent, and challenges us to pray with our families and faith communities; fast in solidarity with those who are hungry; learn about our neighbors in the developing world; and give sacrificial contributions to those in need.

The sacrificial contributions collected in the Operation Rice Bowl boxes offered up at the end of Lent support Catholic Relief Services' development projects in more than 40 countries. Twenty-five percent of these funds remain in central and southwest Iowa to help us respond to needs in the local community.

Parishes and other groups in the 23 counties of the Diocese of Des Moines can apply for grants from the local portion of the Operation Rice Bowl collection. Typically grants will be made for no more than \$2,500.

All Applications must be accompanied by a current W-9 form.

The application will then be screened by a local committee. The committee will recommend projects for funding to the bishop.

The parish or group will be notified of the decision. The diocese reserves the right to fund any amount or to decline to fund any projects.
All organizations receiving funding must conform to Catholic Social Teaching.

Applicant organizations must not participate in or promote activities that contradict the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church and must in no way work against the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' priorities to defend human life and dignity, strengthen family life and the institution of marriage, and foster diversity. For example, applicant organizations that support or promote discrimination, capital punishment, abortion, euthanasia, same-sex marriage or punitive measures towards immigrants are not eligible for CCHD funding

The deadline for Operation Rice Bowl/CRS grant applications is December 5, 2017

Types of Projects

Projects funded will typically be those programs dedicated to hunger or poverty alleviation, such as soup kitchens, homeless shelters, and food pantries. All projects funded must conform to the social teachings of the Catholic Church. We believe that the 25 percent local share of Operation Rice Bowl contributions serves to illustrate our global responsibility as Christians, and assist those in need in our local community.

APPLICATION FORM

Project Title: _____

Contact Person: _____

Parish or Group: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Phone Number: _____

(Fax): _____

(E-Mail): _____

Federal Tax Identification Number: ____-____-____

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Please indicate the following by attaching a separate page for this description.

- Purpose
- Intended client base
- Method of distribution
- Budget

Is this project currently in operation? ___ Yes ___ No

What is the total cost of the project per year? _____

What amount is being requested from Operation Rice Bowl/CRS? _____

Other sources of funding are:

Other information you would like to share:

Pastor's/Contact Person's Signature _____

Date: _____

Please e-mail this application by December 9, 2016 to Catholic Charities Kenan Bresnan kbresnan@catholiccharitiesdm.org or mail to: Catholic Charities, Attn: Kenan Bresnan 601 Grand Ave, Des Moines, IA 50309. If you have questions, please contact Kenan at 237-5089