



2020 RICE BOWL GRANT APPLICATION

Criteria and Guidelines

CRS Rice Bowl is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services (CRS), our international relief agency, and by the Catholic Archdiocese of Seattle. This Lenten program is conducted in Catholic parishes and schools throughout western Washington. Seventy-five percent of the funds raised are used for CRS' international development projects. Twenty-five percent are distributed in western Washington for hunger programs and alleviation of poverty efforts.

1. Most grants will be given for efforts addressing hunger and food insecurity.
2. Some of the local Rice Bowl funds will be allotted to projects that respond to the root causes of hunger, i.e., projects dealing with economic development, anti-hunger advocacy and organizing, etc.
3. Grants are made on an annual basis and do not imply subsequent years' funding.
4. Organizations which receive Rice Bowl funds in 2020 will submit a simple written report, by **April 21, 2021**, explaining the use of the grant.
5. No proposal for a recipient located outside of western Washington will be considered.
6. Organizations' activities must be consistent with Catholic moral and social teaching and with 501(c)3 rules regarding partisan political activity.
7. Only in certain circumstances may Rice Bowl funds be used for salary expenses – such a proposal must be discussed with the CRS archdiocesan director.
8. For applications made by a Catholic parish or parish program (project, organization, etc.), the appropriate parish staff person's signature is required on the application form indicating his/her approval of the grant application.
9. **St. Vincent de Paul Society Conferences**: On the application form, please indicate your parish affiliation (if applicable).
10. Grant applications up to \$400 will be considered; up to \$500 for GARDEN grants.

If you have questions about this grant process, please contact the Mission and National Collections Office at 206-382-4271; or by e-mail at [lenneah.spangler@seattlearch.org](mailto: lenneah.spangler@seattlearch.org).