



Office of Public Affairs

Application process now open for Episcopal Church Constable Fund Grants

Deadline is November 1

[September xx, 2017] The application process is now open for the Constable Fund Grants for the 2017-2018 cycle.

The Constable Fund provides grants to fund mission initiatives that were not provided for within the budget of The Episcopal Church, as approved by General Convention 2015.

The Rev. Tanya Wallace, Executive Council member from the Diocese of Western Massachusetts and chair of the Constable Fund Grant Review Committee, noted recent Constable Grants have ranged from \$5,000 to \$200,000

Applications can be submitted by: (1) a program office of the Episcopal Church; (2) one of the interim bodies of General Convention; or (3) one of the Provinces of the Episcopal Church.

Specific guidelines, suggestions, application form and timetable are available here <http://www.generalconvention.org/ec/constable-fund>

Deadline for applications is November 1. Grants will be reviewed by the Executive Council Constable Fund Grant Review Committee and recommendations will be presented to the Executive Council for action at its January, 2018 meeting. Recipients will be notified at the close of that meeting.

For more information contact Wallace at revtrwallace.gc@gmail.com, or the Rev. Canon Michael Barlowe, Executive Officer of General Convention, gcsecretary@episcopalchurch.org.

Named for Miss Constable

The Constable Grants were named for Miss Mary Louise Constable, who was a visionary philanthropist. In 1935, in the midst of the Great Depression, Miss Constable made a

monetary gift to the Episcopal Church to establish the Constable Fund. Her desire and intent to add periodically to the fund during her lifetime was realized and culminated with a very generous final gift at the time of her death in 1951. The language of Miss Constable's will states that the fund exists "in perpetuity ... to apply the net income for the purposes of the Society, preferably for the work in religious education not provided for within the Society's budget."

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