



We educate, advocate, and act in
collaboration with others for the dignity of
life and the care of all creation

(YAS, C 9, 17;GD 19).

Love



School Sisters of Notre Dame

Atlantic-Midwest Province

2017-2018

For justice to which we are all called,
and for charity which is a privilege for
all of us to offer, we join our
prayers and financial resources with
these organizations and groups as they
work for a more just global community.

- Ethel Howley, SSND



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INTRODUCTION

We discern as a congregation which urgent and critical global concerns we are called to address and we dare to respond boldly in unsuspected ways

(YAS, C 17; GD 36-38).

The Atlantic-Midwest Province has responded to this challenge since its beginning by establishing the **Gospel Fund** which provides grants to small organizations working for justice. These groups would not be eligible for bank loans; their programs benefit people, mostly women and children, caught in poverty, human rights abuses, or environmental devastation.

Each year US\$125,000 and CA\$150,000 are distributed through applications and requests from many countries throughout our world. This booklet lists the **Gospel Fund Grantees** from 2017-2018.

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U.S. GOSPEL FUND

Adiaha Obong Secondary School
Archbishop Borders School
Camp Umoja
Caroline Center
Catholic Charities - Arch.of Baltimore
Catholic Mobilizing Network
Center for Youth Emancipation & Development CYED
Comboni Secondary School - South Sudan
Daughters of St. Paul
Dawn's Place
EveryBlackGirl, Inc.
EXPO - Ex-Incarcerated People Organizing
Friendship Offices of the Americas
GEDCO Cares
Health & Human Rights Education
Heart's Place Services
Ignatian Spirituality Project - BWC
Institute of Notre Dame High School
Justice for Immigrants
KinDoo Family Center
LifeWay Network, Inc.
Mother Seton Academy

GRANTS 2017-2018

NDMU - Philippines Library
NDMU -Teacher Training Haiti
National Farm Worker Ministry
Notre Dame Learning Center
Notre Dame of Maryland University
Notre Dame Prep School
Notre Dame Secondary School - Nigeria
Office of the Human Dignity & Solidarity
Our Lady of Hope/St Luke School
OLPH Mission Grammar School
Pilgrim Ministries
Rochester Refugee
SSND Educational Center
Sacred Heart of Jesus - St. Patrick Religious Education
SHARE El Salvador
St. Patrick's Missionary Society
SisterHouse
Second Chance for Women
Thomas More Project
Tutweiler Community Education Center
Well for the Journey, Inc.
Wilkommen Mensch in Eggenburg

CANADIAN GOSPEL FUND

Archdiocese of Grouard-McLennan – Youth Program, Alberta
Birthright Organization of Hamilton
Cambridge Self-Help Food Bank
Camp Micah, Kitchener
Campaign Life Coalition, Ottawa
Canadian Bible Society, Toronto
Canadian Council of Churches, Toronto
Canadian Food for Children, Toronto
Canadian Jesuits International- Jesu Ashram, India
Canadian Red Cross
Catholic Centre for Immigrants Foundation, Ottawa
Catholic Missions in Canada, Toronto
Catholic Near East Welfare Association Canada- CNEWA
Comboni Missionaries, Kitchener
Covenant House, Toronto
David Suzuki, Vancouver
Development and Peace, Quebec
Doctors Without Borders
Eagle's Nest Association of Waterdown
Farm Radio International
Food Bank of Waterloo Region
Fred Victor
Friends of Canadian Broadcasting, Toronto
Good Shepherd Centres, Hamilton
Guelph Food Bank
Habitat for Humanity - Canada

GRANTS 2017-2018

Interval House, Toronto
Jesuit Refugee and Migrant Service, Toronto
L'Arche - Hamilton
Marillac Place, Kitchener
Michael House, Guelph
Mission Services of Hamilton
Missionaries of Africa, Toronto
NASHI, Regina
Neighbour to Neighbour Centre, Hamilton
On Eagle's Wings, Edmonton
Ramothe Life Centre, Mount Forest
Romero House, Toronto
Roncalli International Foundation, Montreal
Rose of Sharon
Save the Mothers, Ancaster
Scarboro Foreign Mission Society
Sistering, Toronto
Sisters of St. Joseph (Core Refugee Committee)
SOPAR, Gatineau, Quebec
St. Clements Parish – Jamaica Fund
St. John the Compassionate Mission, Toronto
St. Mary of Egypt Refuge, Toronto
Street Haven, Toronto
The Working Centre, Kitchener
Waterloo Region Food Bank

US GOSPEL FUND

The following short list of **Gospel Fund Grantees** presents snap-shot views of projects dealing with dignity of women and children; climate change; education for all; and human rights.

Center for Youth Emancipation and Development, CYED - Congo, Africa

This ministry's goal is to increase the female population at the Cihumba elementary and high school levels. A highly sustainable project was developed to distribute goats and guinea pigs to parents and students.



Rochester Refugee Resettlement Service - Rochester, NY

Providing services, tutoring, and opportunities to ensure assimilation of refugees into our society by providing assistance as they strive to be self-sustaining neighbors while still maintaining their own cultural heritage.



Camp Umoja - Baltimore, MD

A summer camp created to provide Baltimore's inner-city children with an outstanding two week day camp experience on the campus of the Notre Dame Preparatory School. Each child participates in swim lessons, arts and crafts, and tutoring.

RECIPIENT EXAMPLES

Catholic Mobilizing Network - Washington, DC



Funding for operating expenses in establishing the Women's Religious Death Penalty Advocacy Council. This group will amplify the Catholic Church's strong pro-life stance against the death penalty.

Comboni Secondary School - Jubay, South Sudan

Providing food for their day students and staff who frequently have none or too little at home. Without meals, their school work has suffered. Having food encourages attendance, participation, and good spirit.



WillkommenMensch in Eggenburg - Eggenburg, Austria

Over 90,000 refugees have asked for asylum in Austria. They come illegally, without documents, mostly from Afghanistan and Syria. This initiative gives quick and unbureaucratic help to these refugees.



RECIPIENT EXAMPLES

Archbishop Borders School - Baltimore, MD

Archbishop Borders School has the distinction of being the only dual-language, community school serving grades Pre-K 3 through 8 in the Archdiocese of Baltimore. The school relies on grants and



donations to contribute to financial aid funds for the majority of parents who cannot pay the full tuition.



KinDoo Family Center - Indiantown, FL

Provides child care for parents who attend classes in sewing, English, cooking, art, and computer skills. Our grant has helped provide a salary for an assistant to work with the coordinator for this growing service.

Heart's Place Services, Inc. - Baltimore, MD

The Baltimore City Public Schools have 3,000 students registered as "homeless". Heart's Place has been meeting the needs of these children for the past 8 years by providing backpacks of food called the Weekend Survival Kit for students each school week.

RECIPIENT EXAMPLES

Adiaha Obong Secondary School - Mbribit Itam, Nigeria

This boarding school services girls in the impoverished area of Nigeria. Grant money is being used to build a new kitchen for the 450 girls who are boarders. This will enable them to have a decent place where food is prepared for the girls.

LifeWay Network, Inc. - Forest Hills, NY

When a woman is freed from a human trafficking situation, she frequently has no safe haven and is economically unable to provide for her basic daily needs. Funding is used towards the staffing salaries and benefits. LifeWay has served women from 32 different countries.



National Farm Worker Ministry - Raleigh, NC

Approximately 2 million immigrant and migrant workers are hired in this country each year. The vast

majority are Latino and an estimated 70% are undocumented. This organization's goal is to create significant impact to improve farm worker's conditions and change the current abusive agricultural system.

Dawn's Place - Philadelphia, PA

The residential program offers direct, long-term healing and rehabilitative services including trauma-informed care and case management to victims of sex trafficking. The goal is to help these women reclaim their lives and successfully reenter society.

CANADIAN GOSPEL FUND



Farm Radio International
Supports broadcasters in African countries to strengthen small scale farming and rural communities while maintaining a commitment to gender equality. Tens of millions of small-scale farmers are reached with life-changing information and opportunities to have a stronger voice in their own development.

NASHI - Maple Leaf Centre in Regina is a home for 20 girls at risk of human trafficking. This group of women operates an orphanage in the Ukraine for orphan children.



YMCA - Hamilton Area - Beyond the Bell Program is in 13 schools where students in Grades 1-5 are tutored in math and reading. It helps to develop the social skills of these children.

SOPAR - Program was founded by Anglele Gingras to assist widows, orphans, poor children and homeless in rural, poor India. It organizes model communities and villages. It partners with religious communities and other groups to support basic human rights.

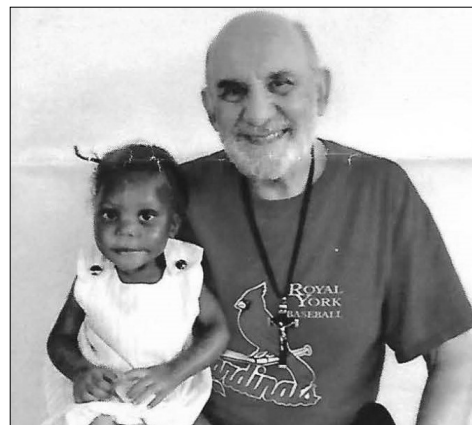
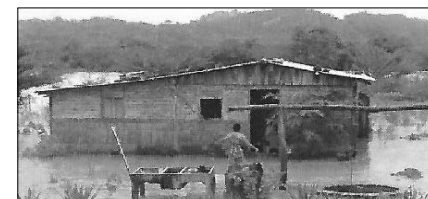


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CNEWA - Catholic Near East Welfare Association is Pope Francis' special agency for humanitarian and pastoral support of Eastern churches - Syria, Iraq, Israel, Lebanon, Jordan, Palestine, Egypt.

Catholic Missions in Canada - funds ministry to missions in northern Canada, especially indigenous peoples.



Canadian Food for Children - Dr. Simone founded this charity. He operates on a low budget. Food, clothing, and household supplies are shipped to countries in Latin America and Africa.