



2025 PARISH PARTICIPATION APPEAL TRAINING

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CRITERIA:

REQUIRED TRAINING

- ☐ Assign ACA chairperson
- ☐ Attend Dec. 3 training luncheon or training session in Jan.

GRANT INFO:

- Parishes are eligible for a **total of \$2,500**.
- \$1,500 will be awarded after completing the eight steps by March 2. The remaining \$1,000 will be awarded when your parish hits the participation goal.
- Missions are eligible for a **\$500 grant**.
- \$250 will be awarded after completing the eight steps by March 2. The remaining \$250 will be awarded when your mission hits the participation goal.

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FEBRUARY

INTRO WEEKEND

- ☐ Share letter from Archbishop
- ☐ Publish bulletin insert
- ☐ Show or email video

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FEBRUARY

COMMITMENT WEEKEND

- ☐ Preach homily
- ☐ Ensure envelopes, pens & prayer cards in pews
- ☐ Take up Appeal special collection

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FEBRUARY

FOLLOW UP WEEKEND

- ☐ Encourage 100% participation and invite all to give

IN PEW PROCESS: **Must be completed by March 2 to be eligible for the Parish Participation Grant.**

- Place envelopes, pens and prayer cards in every pew prior to the start of each Mass.
- Celebrant at all Masses personally invite gifts to the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA).
- Highlight ministries important to you or those that especially impact your parish.
- Note the importance of 100% participation (keep in mind your parish's participation goal).
- Give time to make an online gift or fill out the envelope.

PARTICIPATION & LEADERSHIP:

- Priestly leadership and encouragement is critical to help families understand the importance of giving in their own lives and in the life of the Church.
- Only with generous giving to the ACA are shared ministries of the Archdiocese possible.
- Good stewardship requires sharing what God has given us in ways that build up His Church.

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APPEAL CHAIRPERSON RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Attend training
- Publish bulletin announcements and other promotional material when scheduled.
 - Access promotional materials at www.archokc.org/appealdocuments.
- Share the Annual Catholic Appeal video through social media and email.
- Place envelopes, pens and prayer cards in all pews before each Mass on Commitment Weekend.
- Announce prayers of the faithful during Introductory, Commitment and Follow-up Weekend.
- Work with ushers to ensure Annual Catholic Appeal collection is taken up, and separate from offertory.
- Ensure online giving opportunities and envelopes are available until financial and parish participation goals are met.
- Collect and mail Appeal Gifts.
- Serve as key liaison between the parish and Office of Stewardship and Development.

INCREASE HISPANIC PARTICIPATION:

- Invite all Hispanic families to participate in the Annual Catholic Appeal using the phrases below:
 - Give one hour of your salary.
 - Give your first dollar, not your last.
 - Participation is key. We are asking everyone to give according to your means.
 - Your support is essential to the mission of our Church.
 - No gift is too small in the eyes of God.
 - It is important to use the Annual Catholic Appeal forms provided so your church receives participation credit.

Thank you!

