

#### WELCOME

The St. Augustine Foundation is an expression of St. Augustine's directive "to hold all things in common," and expresses the desire of Augustinians to be of service to God's people, to share resources and to participate in the Church's mission of evangelization, bringing the Good News to the world. (Cf. Luke 4:16- 21; Mt. 25)

## THE FOUNDATION

The St. Augustine Foundation supports and collaborates with Augustinian (Order of St. Augustine) and Augustinian-related entities to advance the Kingdom of God as expressed in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the life of the Catholic Church.

It supports the needs of the Order and individuals and communities which serve the needs of our brothers and sisters throughout the world in activities which promote peace, justice, community development, and the care and empowerment of peoples.

## THE AUGUSTINIANS

The Order of St. Augustine (the Augustinians) is an international apostolic fraternity of the Catholic Church.

Established as a religious order in 1254, the Order continues the tradition of St. Augustine (354-430) in his inspiration for Christian community life modeled after the first Christian communities described in the Acts of Apostles (Acts: 2,42-47; 4,32-37; 5,12-16).

St. Augustine encouraged and led these communities as a layman, priest, and bishop. In the thirteenth century this tradition of life took on the structural form of other mendicant orders founded at the time.

The signature set of core values of the Augustinians reflects those of Augustine's personal spiritual experience, his challenges and expressions in ministry both in deed and word, and the tradition of his followers over the centuries. They express Augustine's window on the Gospel, good news for all, expressed in community living, ministry and interior life.

# These guiding and formative Gospel values are

- Unity (Unitas): The understanding that the dignity of the human condition brings us together and that this profound unity calls us to deep community, friendship, and response to the needs of the individual and support of the common good.
- Love (Caritas): As we are loved so we are called to expressions of love. To serve the common good, to care for those in need (cf. Mt. 25) and to announce the Good News in practical deeds, the search for justice, and affirmation of human rights in the public square are all expressions of the truth of things and the imperatives of that understanding.
- Truth (Veritas): The large truths of the meaning of life, human destiny, and a loving God. Truth writ large concerning creation and re-creation in Christ, the Truth that sets us free. It speaks to truths, as well the truths of learning, beauty, and the sciences. We are guided by what has been expressed as two great wings, reason and faith, with which we ascend to Truth knowledge that leads to wisdom.

Undergirding and source of the "energy" needed for the faithful expression of our values is the attitude and practices described by Augustine as Interiority.

Augustinians first came to the United States in 1796. Beginning with pastoral ministries on the Eastern seaboard, we enlarged our ministries into education and spread through the country and came to California in 1922. Augustinians in the Western U.S. serve in high schools, parishes, hospitals, and social ministries. They have served in Peru, Central America, and on special assignment throughout the United States.

New members of the province study and prepare for ministry in communities and schools in San Francisco, Chicago and Rome.

The St. Augustine Foundation is another expression of the Order's desire to serve the people of God, advance the Kingdom, and be leaven in our society.

## THE ST. AUGUSTINE FOUNDATION GRANT

As you consider making a request for a grant from the Foundation, the following information may be of help in understanding our grant parameters,

- 1. All grant requests must be Augustinian endorsed.
- 2. The Foundation prefers to support groups which demonstrate a collaborative relationship with other funding sources.
- 3. The Foundation favors grants for projects which will eventually become self-sustaining. The Foundation does not provide continuous support for projects to the extent that the project becomes dependent upon the Foundation for its continued existence.
- 4. Grants are made for a single purpose (one-time) or may be for multiple years (not to exceed three years) with an annual renewal review. Normally they will not be made for the ordinary operating budget of the organization (i.e., sustaining operations).

5. Grants will be made only to entities in the U.S. with verified 501(c)(3) status; outside of the U.S. a comparable status must be verified.

The Foundation encourages applicant organizations to reflect on the Foundation's mission and their own to clarify how the grant will serve the missions of both.

With limited resources and many needs, the accompanying application form provides the Foundation with the necessary information to make grants that will be fruitful and significant for those who receive them. Members of the Foundation staff will be more than happy to answer any questions you many have.

May God continue to bless the good work He has begun in all of us.

# **AREAS OF INTEREST, 2017**

(not in preferential order)

- 1. Community building and pastoral care.
- 2. Care of newcomers to our communities.
- 3. Education.
- 4. Response to immediate concerns of the needy.

Favored aspects of these areas: Building human capacity for unity, truth and love in the spirit of St. Augustine.

## **IMPORTANT DATES, 2017**

January 1, 2017	Applications Available
June 30, 2017	Applications Are Due
July to August 2017	Foundation Board Review and Decisions
September 30, 2017	Notification Sent To Applicants
October 30, 2017	Grant Checks Mailed By

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

In order to enter The St. Augustine Foundation grant application process, please contact David L. Canedo, Executive Director (dcanedo@thestaugustinefoundation.com or 619-564-8715) to ensure your potential Grant request meets the criteria established by the Foundation. Once this initial screening is completed, please take the following steps:

- 1. Click the following link to create your own account utilizing your email address and a personal password. (https://www.GrantRequest.com/SID\_2183? SA=SNA&FID=35007)
- 2. Enter the password that has been provided to you by The St. Augustine Foundation.
- 3. Provide your Federal Tax Identification number verifying your 501(c) (3) status.
- 4. The Grant Application is now available for your completion.
- 5. If you wish to re-enter your Grant Application for editing or review, please click the following link: (https://www.GrantRequest.com/SID\_2183?SA=AM)

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