

Sacred Space Safe Access Grant



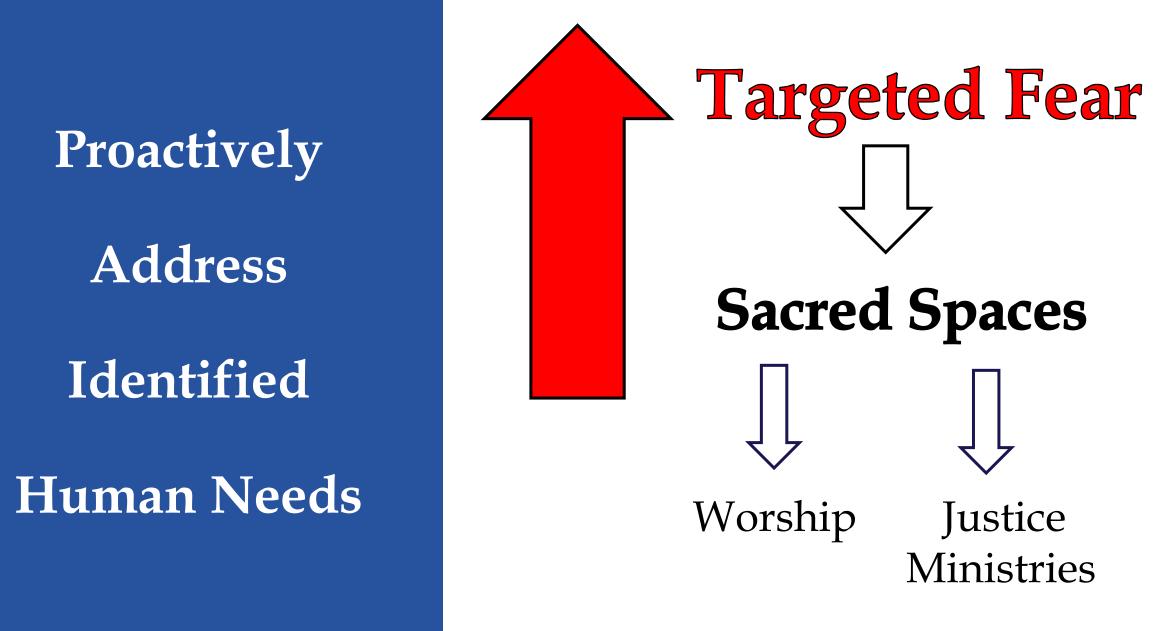
Making Sacred Spaces Safe for Everyone



Our Mission & Vision - #Together

Episcopal Community Services of the Diocese of New Jersey (ECS-NJ) increases the capacity of the Diocese of New Jersey to

- **Proactively** address identified human needs served by congregations across the Diocese
- Relentlessly work against both social and racial injustice with the understanding that *together*, we're stronger



creating safety concerns for congregations serving vulnerable populations across the Diocese

Proactively

Address

Identified

Human Needs

Both

The Diocese of New Jersey & & ECS-NJ

recognize the need to create

SECURE & WELCOMING

spaces where individuals can access

WORSHIP & ESSENTIAL SERVICES

with

DIGNITY & PEACE OF MIND



Address

Identified

Human Needs

Affirming the Church's role as a

SAFE HAVEN

for HOPE TRUST &

GOSPEL JUSTICE

Sacred Space Safe Access Grant #Together

ECS-NJ and the Diocese of New Jersey, with the support of Diocesan Council, are providing *Sacred Space Safe Access* grants up to \$2,500 for congregations and justice ministries serving vulnerable populations that are currently facing safety concerns due to an escalation of targeted fear and intimidation.

Work

Against

Social & Racial

Injustice

Sacred Space Safe Access grants

are designed to

RESPOND

to current safety & security needs by helping to

EMPOWER

congregations to create sacred spaces that are

SAFE & SECURE

for

EVERYONE

With the

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Funding for the

Sacred Space Safe Access grants

is made possible by







The Diocese of New Jersey

with the support of

Diocesan Council

Eligibility

- Applicants *must* be a congregation within the Diocese of New Jersey *and* demonstrate the capacity to *both* implement the proposed project *and* sustain its impact
- The proposed project *must* serve *vulnerable populations* facing issues related to *safety and personal security*
- Funds *must* be used to create or enhance safe welcoming environments where individuals can worship and/or access services with confidence and security

Applications *MUST*

- Be *signed* by the *clergyperson* or *warden* if the congregation does not currently have a clergyperson
- Contain the name contain the name(s) *and* contact information for the person/persons responsible for the project so they may be contacted by an ECS-NJ Grant Committee member
- Contain a *budget* itemizing the cost(s) associated with the proposed project
- Be able to *complete* the proposed project *and* submit *a report* to ECS-NJ *detailing the accomplishments* the grant allowed for within 12 *months* of grant funding

Application Process

Applicants are required to submit a brief report (i.e., 1500 words) identifying

- the *need* for safe space in the proposed worship community or justice ministry *including* the challenge(s) faced by the targeted population
- Proposed project *including* specific costs to be covered by the proposed grant
- What *impact* the proposed project might have on participants *and* the community as a whole
- Requested funding (**up to \$2,500**)

Application Review & Evaluation

- Applications will be reviewed and recommended for funding on a *rolling basis until all funds are completed*
- Priority will be given to applications submitted before *June 15, 2025*
- Applications will be equally reviewed by members of the ECS-NJ Grants Committee *and* Diocesan Council
- Applicants will be contacted by a member of the ECS-NJ Grants Committee to discuss the proposed project
- Funding is *limited*
- Grants are a *one-time* award and *not* eligible for renewal

Contact and Grant Submission Information

To submit a grant application or request more information, please email

grant@ecs-nj.org

or

The Reverend Tammy Young +

revtammyyoung@gmail.com

Questions & Answers



Thank you for attending!

We look forward to partnering with you in these challenging times...

because Together, we're stronger

