



## THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF TENNESSEE



# Dandridge Trust

The Dandridge Trust is the principal human service outreach arm of the Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee. Funds from the Trust are intended to assist the elderly and those whose needs are great, to facilitate accessibility, and to support specific outreach programs for nonprofit organizations within the boundaries of the Diocese of Tennessee. Program requests will be given first consideration and capital requests may be reviewed if there are undistributed funds available. The Dandridge Trust accepts grant requests each fall for funding in the following year. Charitable organizations and ministries whose work falls within the Diocese of Tennessee are now invited to submit grant applications to the Dandridge Trust for 2026.

Organizations are invited to visit the diocesan website, <https://edtn.org/our-mission-and-ministries/outreach/> to complete the application. The 2026 Dandridge Trust Application can be printed, completed, and returned to this office by the end of day on September 30, 2025. Please send your application by email to Susan Abington, [sabington@edtn.org](mailto:sabington@edtn.org) or mail to:

The Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee  
3700 Woodmont Boulevard  
Nashville, Tennessee 37215

The Dandridge Trust Board will make their recommendations to the Bishop and Council at their meeting on December 13, 2025. The funding in most cases, will be distributed on a quarterly basis in 2026.

**Grant Application  
Opens August 15, 2025**



## **The Dandridge Trust**

### **2026 GRANT REQUEST APPLICATION**

From Bishop John C. Bauerschmidt:

Since its founding in 1986 the Dandridge Trust has made grants of more than \$3,400,000.

Charitable organizations within the boundaries of the Diocese of Tennessee are now invited to submit grant applications. The guidelines for the 2026 grant process are stated below. Please share these with those who might be interested in and qualify for grants. Program requests will be given first consideration and capital requests will be reviewed pending remaining funds.

Grant applications are due at the diocesan office by the end of day on September 30, 2025. Please send your application by email to Susan Abington at [sabington@edtn.org](mailto:sabington@edtn.org) at the Diocesan House, or mail paper applications to:

Susan Abington, Finance Administrator  
The Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee  
3700 Woodmont Boulevard  
Nashville, Tennessee 37215

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## Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee

### Grant Request Application Form for 2026

*Please download and print out this application and then return the completed application via email to*

*Susan Abington (sabington@edtn.org)*

*or by US mail to:*

*Susan Abington, Finance Administrator*

*The Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee*

*3700 Woodmont Boulevard*

*Nashville, Tennessee 37215*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount requested for 2026 (not to exceed \$10,000): \$\_\_\_\_\_

If you received a Dandridge Trust grant in 2025, enter the amount here. **Also be sure to attach your annual written report of how your organization used its Dandridge grant, including an update on the progress of your project.**

Amount received in 2025, if any: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Description of Project: (use additional pages if needed)

- How was need determined?
- What is expected outcome?
- What is the time frame?
- Who will be the beneficiaries of the project?
- Who will manage the project?
- What is the budget for this project?

- What other sources of funding have you sought for this project?
- What other sources of funding have you received for this project?
- Have your sources of funding changed in the last year? If so, how?

**Please include your prior year balance sheet and income statement along with the completed application form. Your application is incomplete until financials are received.**

**If your request is granted, we will require a written report at the end of the year showing how the Dandridge Trust money was used with an update on the progress of your project.**

**NOTE: The Bishop and Council require that grants not be made to congregations which are behind in their Fair Share Giving, Parochial Report, or Audit.**