ARCHINDY CREATION CARE MINI-GRANTS "Our relationship with the environment can never be isolated from our relationship with others and with God."-Pope Francis



SACRED-SPACES

THE PROJECT

Recently, the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Creation Care Ministry received grant money from the Catholic Climate Covenant to be used in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis to create new or update existing outdoor sacred spaces.

We are **currently accepting project ideas** through May 2, 2025. The grant will be dispersed in increments of about \$250 per parish or school.

GUIDELINES

- On the campus of a Roman Catholic Church or school within the Archdiocese of Indianapolis
- Outdoor space
- Integrate Care for Creation, Catholic identity and community engagement.

IDEAS

- Plant a pollinator garden utilizing native Indiana plants, include a statue of St. Kateri, patron saint of ecology.
- Properly install a rain garden to help purify water runoff; place an image of Mary nearby
- Create a parish community garden to provide food for a local food pantry; include a statue of St. Francis in remembrance of his care for the earth and care for the poor.
- Set aside an outdoor place for prayer

GRANT PROCESS



APPLICATION

Submit your outdoor concept and budget with approval from the pastor, principal, or parish council to mail@ourcommonhome.org



APPROVAL

ArchIndy Creation Care Ministry will contact you within 2 weeks.



FINAL REPORT

A summary, including at least 3 pictures to be provided within one month of project completion. "Our relationship with the environment can never be isolated from our relationship with others and with God."-Pope Francis



WASTE REDUCTION

THE PROJECT

Recently, the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Creation Care Ministry received a grant from the Catholic Climate Covenant to be used in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis for recycling or waste reduction projects.

We are **currently accepting project ideas** through May 2, 2025. A \$1,000 total grant will be dispersed to one recipient.

GUIDELINES

- On the campus of a Roman Catholic Church or school within the Archdiocese of Indianapolis
- Involves recycling or waste reduction
- Integrate Care for Creation, Catholic identity and community engagement.

GRANT PROCESS

IDEAS

- Purchase new recycling bins and update signage. Create an awareness campaign to increase engagement.
- Conduct a school cafeteria waste audit and use the funds to implement recommendations.
- Engage a local artist and use material collected from your campus recycling to create an art project with caring for creation themes.
- Purchase dishes to use in place of disposables at campus events.

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APPLICATION

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APPROVAL

ArchIndy Creation Care Ministry will contact you by May 16, 2025.



FINAL REPORT

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