



## THE FORUM LEGACY GRANT PROGRAM

The North American Forum on the Catechumenate was founded in 1982 in order to provide training for diocesan and parish ministers. Its goal was to promote the full and authentic implementation of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* and its implications for reconciliation in parishes throughout the United States and Canada. For more than three decades, institutes and conferences (and later webinars) led by a network of experts in initiation, liturgy and catechesis provided experiential learning to lay ministers, religious and clergy who were responsible for Christian initiation. Due to financial constraints, the Forum ceased operations in June 2013.

So that the mission of providing ongoing formation for leaders in Christian initiation may continue, the Board of Directors of the North American Forum on the Catechumenate entrusted to the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions funds for the establishment of the Forum Legacy Grant Program (FLGP). The FLGP will provide annual grants to diocesan worship and/or catechetical offices in the United States and Canada to subsidize diocesan-sponsored formation programs for those responsible for Christian initiation in parishes. The following parameters will be observed.

1. Up to \$4,000 in grants may be distributed per year, with the FLGP providing grants for at least ten years.
2. Each Forum Legacy Grant request may not exceed \$2,000.
3. Only one grant application from each diocese will be considered in a given year.
4. Qualifying programs may take a variety of forms—including, but not limited to, a workshop, a daylong event or day of reflection, a multi-day conference, a multi-session training program, or a retreat.
5. Grant monies may be used for any or all expenses pertaining to a program, such as the stipend, transportation, or other expenses of a speaker; facility rental; printed materials; hospitality; or scholarships for participants.
6. In determining awards, special consideration will be given to programs that reach out to under-served ethnic communities.
7. Promotional and other printed materials of a program that has received a grant must somewhere include the following: “This \_\_\_\_\_ is made possible [or “made possible, in part,”] by a Forum Legacy Grant, which honors the legacy of the North American Forum on the Catechumenate.”
8. Applications will be accepted between February 1 and March 31 each year. Awards will be reviewed by a committee and announced by May 1.
9. The formation program must be held within one year of the awarding of the grant. A written report on the event will be delivered to the FLGP at the address below.

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## THE GRANT APPLICATION

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_

Diocese \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete the following. Use additional pages, if necessary.**

Title of Workshop/ Institute/ Conference \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of Program \_\_\_\_\_ Location \_\_\_\_\_

Target Audience \_\_\_\_\_

Number of People Served \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Requested \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Give a brief description of the goals established for the event and how this grant will be used.

Citing the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*, how does this program support the authentic implementation of the RCIA?

Will this grant provide formation to those who minister among under-served communities? Please describe.

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