



Mustard Seed grants

"moving mountains"

Back again in 2022 !

The Episcopal Foundation of Northern California is continuing the *Mustard Seed* grant program for 2022. *Mustard Seed* grants are grants of \$500 to promote and support grass-roots ministries at the congregation level in our Diocese.

- Available to parishes, missions, and other Episcopal organizations in the Diocese
- Linking small, creative ministries to resources: a little help in the right place at the right time in the right hands can eventually move mountains

The Foundation awarded four *Mustard Seed* grants in 2021:

- St. Paul's, Benicia - For the purchase of a new stove for their Community Meals Program
- St. Francis, Fortuna - For the purchase video equipment and accessories that will enhance the quality of their online presence
- St. James, Lincoln - For their Special Needs Welcome ministry
- St. Mary's, Napa - For their Ministry to the Sick or Aged

These are some of the creative ministries and outreach beyond or within the walls of the church where a *Mustard Seed* grant could help out (a partial list):

- Soup kitchen / food program / shelter resources
- After school program
- Homeless outreach
- Literacy tutoring, ESL instruction
- Ministry to sick and/or aged
- Camperships
- Christian education
- Ministry to low income, immigrants, marginalized (the least, last, lost)
- Becoming more carbon neutral: church or neighborhood
- Neighborhood health / energy / resource fairs and workshops
- Print materials to support neighborhood outreach efforts
- ETC.

Application Instructions: Email the following to Michelle Karimi (michelle@norcalepiscopal.org).

- Contact name and info
- Tell us about your entity and it's ministry (new, start-up, on-going, expanding)
- How would the grant be used?
- How would it affect your ministry?
- Are there time constraints?

Application period is May 1 through December 31, 2022; grants will be awarded throughout the year.