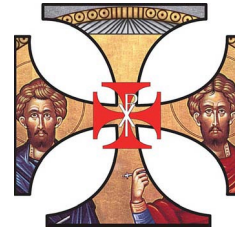


National Philoptochos Society 2014-2016 Committee Report



Project Review

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The following projects were submitted to the Executive Board for recommendation to the National Board by the Project Review Committee for funding consideration in the specified months:

October 2015

Shepherd's Center of Kansas City Central

- Funding for "Meals on Wheels" program serving homebound older adults (60 yrs and older) and disabled individuals. Program serves approximately 200 individuals many below the poverty line.
- **Recommend funding of \$2,500** to partly cover nonperishable items for 100 Emergency Meal Packs at \$10.00 per meal;
- **Funding source – 75th Anniversary Founders Fund.**

Hellenicare, Inc., Chicago - hellenicare Medical Mobile Unit Program

- Provides medical and humanitarian assistance through its clinics and medical mobile unit programs in the countries of Georgia, Ukraine and Armenia; program serves many people of Hellenic background and are the children and grandchildren of Pontian Hellenes who were expelled by the Ottomans in the 1920's as well as non-Hellene population in the areas;
- Funding requested (\$20,000) to cover one month of visits to villages in Georgia (1,000 visits/month), Ukraine (400 patients/month) and Armenia (50 patients/month) to be seen by doctors and nurses for treatment and receive needed pharmaceuticals;
- **Recommend funding of \$10,000;**
- **Funding source – General Medical Fund.**

St. Nicholas Uganda Children's Fund – organization started in 2008 by Nicholas and Sharon Georges who were missionaries in the area from 2002-2007

- Provides for education, health and welfare of Ugandan children, teens, and young adults in slum areas of Kampala, Uganda; serving over 260 orphans and children from primary, secondary school, business and technical, and university;
- Funding requested (\$28,000) for 40 teenage girls (primarily AIDS orphans) residing in St. Antonios Orthodox Secondary School for
 - Tuition and boarding fees
 - Clothing
 - Personal care items
 - Mattresses, sheets, and blankets
 - Suitcases
 - Comprehensive medical care
 - Transportation to and from school
- **Recommend funding of \$5,000**
- **Funding source – Social Services Fund**

February 2016

St. Nicholas Uganda Children's Fund, Chardon, OH, was tabled at the last Finance/Executive Meeting, therefore, we are recommending the following:

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- **Recommend funding of \$2,800/year (Covers 4 Girls, Cost of each girl \$700/year)**
- **Funding source – Orthodox Christian Mission Fund**

The Treehouse Inc., Wichita,KS, established by Orthodox Christian women in Wichita, KS to provide assistance to pregnant women in need.

- Provides education, services and baby supplies, i.e. diapers, baby formula to women in need and their children. The program served over 500 women in 2015, individuals many below the poverty line.
- Funding requested (\$5,000 to \$7,500) to cover costs of purchasing formula for 1 year.
- **Recommend funding of \$3,750 to partly cover purchase of baby formula;**
- **Funding source – General Medical Fund.**

Orthodox Christian Network (OCN) – Fort Lauderdale, FL

- Provides communication of our Orthodox religion through multimedia.
- Funding requested (\$10,000) to cover production of video programs for 2 months and 2 weeks for a total of 10 episodes, specifically their "This Week in Orthodoxy" program. Their short segments highlight related events and happenings in many geographic areas across the US, including the plight of Christians throughout the world. The cost is \$1,000 per episode.
The committee recommends a series of 8 episodes starting with the beginning of Lent on Monday, March 14 and continuing through Bright Week.
- **Recommend funding of \$8,000 in honor of Founding Father, the Very Reverend Christopher T. Metropulos, D.Min.**
- **Funding source – Administration**

May 2016

American Vitiligo Research Foundation, Inc., Clearwater, FL

- **Recommend funding of \$5,000.00**
- **Funding source – General Medical Fund**

Blythedale Children's Hospital, Valhalla, NY

- **Recommend funding of \$5,000.00**
- **Funding source – General Medical Fund.**

Homeful, Dayton, OH

- Funding source – Social Services Fund
- Recommend funding of \$10,000.00

Le Bonheur Children's Hospital Foundation, Memphis, TN

- Recommend Funding of \$5,000.00 not for cremation
- Funding source- Social Services Fund

New Alternatives for Children, Inc., New York, NY

- Recommend funding of \$7,500.00
- Funding source- \$5,000-General Medical; \$2,500-Children's Medical Fund

Respite Care, Inc., Fort Collins, CO

- Recommend funding of \$ 5,000
- Funding source- Cancer /other MJR Illness Fund

Autism Clinic & Training center, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL

- Recommend funding of \$7,800.00
- Funding source- Autism Fund

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Autism Clinic & Training Center, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL, housed in the Developmental Disabilities Family Clinics of the Institute on Disability and Human Development is dedicated to enhancing the lives of individuals with autism and their families across the lifespan by providing family-centered culturally competent services from a multi-disciplinary staff of professionals. High percentage (over 70%) of families served are underserved, uninsured and from minority groups in Chicago and surrounding areas.

Funded: \$7,800 Autism Fund

- Funding of \$4,800 will provide social skills group experiences and training to 15 underserved individuals with autism and their families
- Funding of \$3,000 will provide teaching and training to six parent workshops to serve approximately 10 families or more each on a number of autism related topics.

Developmental Connections, Ashburn, VA, serving children with developmental disabilities and/or social learning challenges in the public school setting. Serves to help those families who do not have the means to provide social development for their children.

Funded: \$10,000 Autism Fund

- Funding \$600.00 for Teaching Training
- Funding \$9,396 for Personnel (Club Leads) Marvin's Club Project

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Funded: \$5,000 *General Medical Fund*

- Cover visits to by doctors and nurses for treatment and receive needed pharmaceuticals to
 - Villages in Georgia (250 visits/month)
 - Ukraine (100 patients/month)
 - Armenia (15 patients/month)

Shepherd's Center of Kansas City Central, MO

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- Partly cover nonperishable items for 100 Emergency Meal Packs at \$10.00 per meal.

The Treehouse Foundation, Wichita, KS

Established by Orthodox Christian women in Wichita, KS to provide assistance for pregnant women and their children in need that includes services, education and supplies (baby formula and diapers).

Funded: \$5,000 *General Medical fund*

- Cover purchase of baby formula over a twelve month period

For any questions, please contact Marilyn Tzakis or Carol Stamas.