



Where does

the Foundation
receive funding?

The Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) secures its funding through individual cash donations and planned gifts, parish assessment, and private foundation grants.

Engaging the entire Catholic community by providing a stable financial future for Catholic schools is part of the mission of the CEF.

Ways to Give Wisely

- Cash donations
- Bequest in your will
- Donor advised fund
- Life Income contract
- Real estate or stock transfers

Plus many other creative ways.

"With each contribution show a cheerful countenance, and pay your tithe in a spirit of joy, give to the most high as He has given to you, generously, according to your means."

Sirach 35:6-9



Catholic Education Foundation Is . . .

- a 501(c) 3 grant-making corporation
- distributing over \$1 million in need-based scholarships and grants to educational programs yearly throughout the Diocese of Joliet
- providing long-term financial support to diocesan Catholic schools, and to parish educational programs
- educating the general public about the numerous tax advantaged gift vehicles at their disposal
- matching our donors' specific charitable desires with effective and appropriate gift plans
- managed by a volunteer Board of Directors that provides strict accountability to donors, and observes total compliance with the donor's charitable wishes
- YOUR "Community Foundation for Catholic Education" in our seven county diocese.

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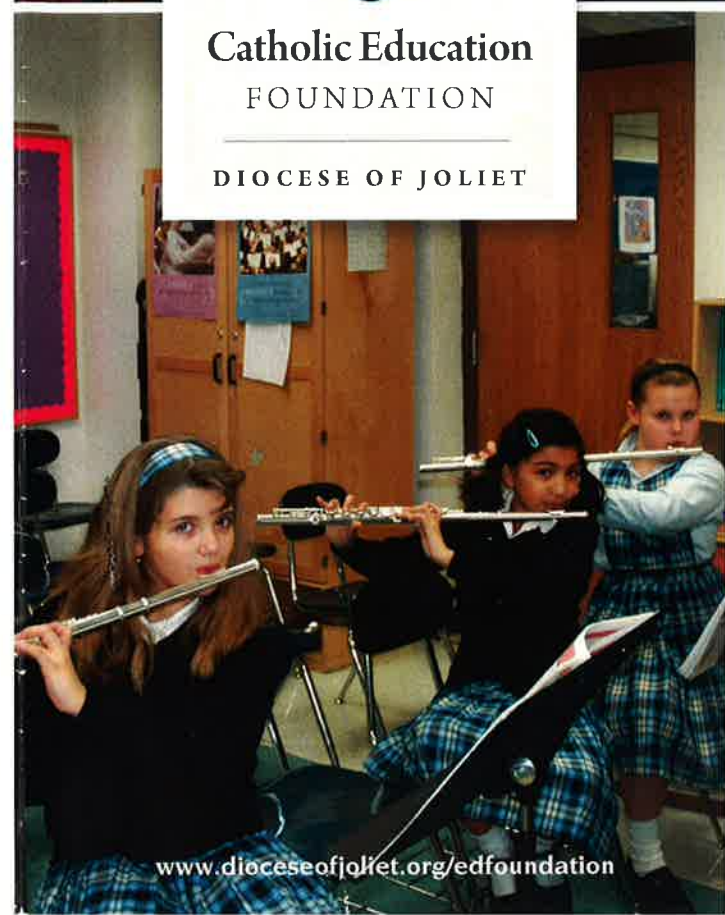
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Why do
we need the Catholic
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Who is
receiving assistance
through the Foundation?

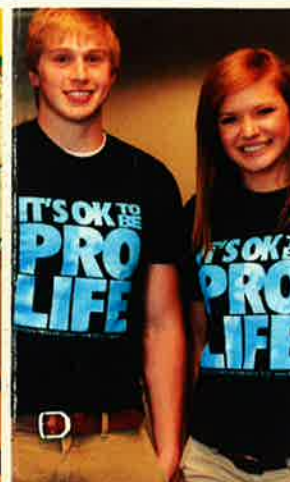
The Catholic Education Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit charitable corporation dedicated to the advancement of Catholic education in the Diocese of Joliet.



The CEF's mission is to provide long-term financial support to diocesan Catholic schools, and Catholic educational programs of diocesan parishes and organizations.

To meet this goal, the CEF educates the general public of numerous tax advantaged gift vehicles, and works with the donor to determine an effective and appropriate plan to match their specific charitable intent. The seven counties of the Diocese of Joliet are blessed to have forty-eight elementary schools and seven high schools, each striving to bring the work of God to children in a Catholic faith-based environment.

The primary goal of the CEF is to provide a Catholic school education to those who qualify for financial aid. The CEF annually disburses more than \$1 million in the form of scholarships, tuition assistance, parish ministry grants, and continuing education loans for teachers.



Families throughout our Diocese apply for financial aid. Each application is reviewed by an independent source outside the Diocese. Families must provide evidence of income and expenses in order to be considered for tuition aid. Payments are made directly to the schools.

Each year the CEF distributes more than 1,000 need based elementary and high school student grants.

"It is the responsibility of the entire Catholic community — bishops, priests, deacons, religious, and laity — to continue to strive toward the goal of making our Catholic elementary and secondary schools affordable to all Catholic parents and their children, including those who are poor and middle class."

—From "Renewing our Commitment to Catholic Elementary Schools,"
United States Catholic Conference of Bishops

"Our family has put all other non-emergency expenses on hold so that we can meet the tuition payment. This grant will ease some of the pressure a great deal... from the bottom of our hearts thanks so much."

—A parent of a Catholic High School student