Post Symposium Grants
Advancing Lay Ecclesial Ministry

The forty-one co-sponsors of the 2011 Collegeville National Symposium on Lay Ecclesial Ministry generated more than $30,000 in co-sponsorship fees. These fees will be used to provide funding for initiatives advancing lay ecclesial ministry in the United States.

Criteria for Grant Application
1. The project or research must focus on one of the symposium recommendations or organizational commitments to advance lay ecclesial ministry in the United States.
2. Grants will only be given to symposium co-sponsors. Preference will be given to multi-organization initiatives.
3. Preference will be given to new initiatives.
4. Funding for the initiative cannot come exclusively from the grant. Applicants must participate in funding the initiative and show how resources of their organizations will help support the initiative.
5. Organizations receiving grants will complete annual report forms by January 1st of each year and a final report assessing the outcomes of the initiative to all the symposium co-sponsors upon completion of the initiative.

Grant Awards
1. Five grants will be awarded and funds made available by January 1, 2012.
2. Two grants will be for $10,000.
3. One grant for $5,000
4. Two grants for $2,500

Application Process
1. Grant proposals will be due by November 1, 2011.
2. The application form can be found on the symposium website: www.lemssymposium.org.
3. Application will include:
   a. Co-sponsoring organization(s)
   b. Explanation of project rationale, goals, and relationship to symposium recommendations or organization commitment.
   c. Plan
   d. Budget
   e. Evaluation Process

Review Committee
The members of the grant review committee will be Rick McCord, USCCB-LMFLY, Cecile Motus, USCCB-Cultural Diversity, Michael Brough, National Leadership Roundtable, Bill Cahoy, Dean Saint John’s School of Theology and Seminary, and Jeffrey Kaster, Symposium Chair, Saint John’s School of Theology and Seminary.