



BUILDING AN ETHICAL ECONOMY: THEOLOGY AND THE MARKETPLACE
A Request for Proposals

Introducing the 2010 Trinity Institute National Theological Conference, *Building an Ethical Economy: Theology and the Marketplace*, the Rev. Dr. James H. Cooper reminds us that "the Church has a duty to influence the national and global conversation about economic reforms." In support of this call, the Trinity Grants Program is pleased to announce a special, one-year grant initiative to support work related to the building of an ethical economy.

A SPECIAL GRANTS INITIATIVE

"The Christian, I think, is going to be saying constantly, 'Well actually there is an alternative.' It may begin very locally. It may begin in the cooperative enterprise in the community, in a credit union, in a farmers' market. It may begin in very small ways, showing that not everything is a zero-sum game in economics."

- The Most Reverend Dr. Rowan Williams, Archbishop of Canterbury

In this spirit, Trinity Wall Street this year will consider funding requests for projects arising from conference discussions; encouraging Institute participants with their Episcopal/Anglican faith communities to contribute in their own way to the building of a more ethical economy, whether in their own neighborhood or around the world. This initiative continues our support for conference participants putting their faith into action through the themes of the Trinity Institute. Following last year's *Radical Abundance* conference, grants were awarded to St. John's Church, Lynchburg, St. Philip's Church, Durham and GreenFaith for environmental sustainability projects.

ELIGIBILITY

Projects organized by conference participants, in New York or at partner sites around the nation and the world, in coordination with their Episcopal/Anglican faith communities are eligible to apply. The Trinity Grants Program will make three to five grants of up to \$15,000 for this special initiative. The Grants Program will accept letters of inquiry from the conclusion of the conference through August 1, 2010. Proposals may be considered in May and November, 2010.

Localized projects and Global Partnership projects (planned and executed in coordination with a companion diocese/parish in Africa, Asia/Oceania, or Latin America) are eligible. Applicants are encouraged to be creative about the contribution they can make in their community, but examples might include employment counseling services, job development programs/vocational training, credit unions/microfinance, fair wage issues, local cooperatives and fair trade relationships, or advocacy efforts to encourage sustainability in international trade. Limited funding for liturgy, pastoral care, or faith formation may be considered as part of a wider request that puts our faith into action.

Please see back of sheet for application requirements and funding limitations. →

HOW TO APPLY

By August 1, 2010, send a brief letter of inquiry that includes:

- a. an outline of the project;
- b. a description how the project supports the creation of a more ethical economy and how the Trinity Institute helped you develop or refine it;
- c. a project budget; and
- d. a letter from your Trinity Institute partner site, confirming your attendance, if you did not attend the conference at Trinity Wall Street in New York.

Based on the proposal, projects with a potential for funding may be asked to provide additional documentation. Grants requests for this special initiative will be considered in May and November, 2010.

LIMITATIONS

The Trinity Grants Board will not entertain proposals for the following:

- Purchase of land, construction or renovation/retrofitting of buildings;
- Support for programs that do not have the active involvement and participation of an Anglican/Episcopal church jurisdictions (or two partner Anglican/Episcopal church jurisdictions for a Global Partnership request);
- Stipends for staffing costs (except in the Global South for Global Partnership requests.)
- General operating expenses, including neighborhood service facilities such as preschools, daycare and community centers, orphanages, and shelters;
- Scholarships for study or school fees, or assistance to individuals;
- Establishment of endowment funds;
- Funding of deficits;
- Feeding programs, emergency relief, or disaster response (except in the case of an invited proposal or special initiative);
- Arts and cultural programs;

Global Partnership requests have the following additional limitation:

- Travel, lodging, training, or other logistical costs associated with travel from the United States to the Global South;

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please visit <http://www.trinitywallstreet.org/grants/>

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