

**Diocesan Global Mission Grants** fund short-term mission trips and support our long-term missionaries, various projects from diocesan congregations, and our companion diocese of Kumasi in Ghana. While there are no hard and fast application deadlines, it is best to let us know what you're planning for the calendar year to help us budget for these projects – especially for short-term mission trips.

**Global Mission Grants of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Massachusetts**  
(Please use this guide for your application – answer as thoroughly as possible.)

**Application Date:**

1. Name of Church/Agency/Organization/Leader/Individual applying for grant:
2. Mailing Address:
3. Phone:
4. Email:
5. Parish affiliation:
6. Priest/Deacon:  
Please attach a letter of reference from Rector, Priest-in-Charge, or vestry warden.
7. Please provide the sponsoring organization and person responsible for program or area of program for which the grant is requested:
8. Executive Director/Priest/Leader of agency or organization:
9. What is the mission statement or statement of purpose for your organization or project?
10. Please provide a brief description of the population that the program to be assisted with a Global Mission grant seeks to serve.
11. Please provide a brief description of the program or project, itself – include who is invited to participate in this program/project.
12. How do the services provided through this program differ from those of other organizations or agencies (if any) that seek to serve the same population?
13. Have you or your agency/organization received a Global Mission Grant in the past? If “yes,” please list the year(s) and amount(s).
14. Please list other monies available for the program and other sources to which an application has been/is being made for additional funding.
15. Total cost of program/project:
16. If applicable, provide the project budget for program.

Application may be sent electronically or mailed to The Rev. Peter Swarr, St. Mark's Church, East Longmeadow ([padre.peter.swarr@gmail.com](mailto:padre.peter.swarr@gmail.com)) or to The Rev. Annie Ryder, Christ Episcopal/Trinity Lutheran, Sheffield, MA ([anniepie50@hotmail.com](mailto:anniepie50@hotmail.com))

We recommend that you:

- ❖ Have a prayer team in place for any project/mission/ministry.
- ❖ Go in the attitude of serving and friendship – spend time discovering what that means before going on your mission trip.
- ❖ Take healthcare precautions and see a physician who specializes in travel medicine well in advance of your trip.
- ❖ Request a copy of the “Suggestions for Short-term Missions” handout from the Global Mission Team or invite one of us to come speak to your group.

It is suggested you write an article for Abundant Times magazine, or report back in some other way, to share your experience with the diocesan family.

Blessings on your willingness to enter into God's mission in the world! If we can be of any further assistance, please be in touch. We will hold you in prayer throughout your preparations and especially while you are in country.

--The Global Mission Team of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Massachusetts