



# EMERGENCY

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR EPISCOPAL DEACONS

**GRANTS FOR  
DEACONS WHO  
EXPERIENCE LOSS  
OF INCOME OR  
HOUSING DUE  
TO A FEDERAL-,  
STATE-, OR  
LOCAL-DECLARED  
EMERGENCY.**

**The Fund for the Diaconate's Emergency Grants Program** began during the Covid-19 pandemic, as a means to assist Episcopal deacons who sustained a financial loss related to that public health emergency. Today, Emergency Grants are available for any declared emergency.

A “**Declared Emergency**” is issued by the President, state, local or Indian tribal government leaders when a disaster is of such severity and magnitude that effective response is beyond their capabilities, and federal assistance is necessary. Declared emergencies can include fires, floods, public health crises, hurricanes, wildfires, etc. ([www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov))

Any Episcopal deacon who has been impacted by this type of emergency is eligible to apply for an Emergency Grant from The Fund.

### FAQs

#### Who's eligible?

Episcopal deacons in good standing with their diocese who have been impacted financially by a declared emergency.

#### What kinds of emergency losses might be covered?

Some examples are, but not limited to lost housing or income.

#### Is there a limit on the funds that can be requested?

Eligible applicants may receive a maximum of \$5,000.

#### What documentation is needed?

Verification of emergency declaration (news article, video clip), most recent tax return and bank statement, an explanation of the emergency need.

#### I received assistance from the Fund in the past, can I still apply for emergency assistance?

Yes, you may still apply.

#### When and how do I apply?

You can apply immediately after the emergency. The application and complete details are available at [www.fundfordiaconate.org](http://www.fundfordiaconate.org).

*The Fund also offers Supporting, Medical and Diaconal Formation Grants for deacons.*



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