

Grantmaking Causes

Every day, thousands of individuals and families log in to their Giving Fund at NCF to recommend grants to charities, which work in one or more of the causes below.

Addiction

Organizations that provide preventive, diagnostic, and treatment services and transitional support for people who have a physical or psychological dependency on alcohol and drugs.

Adoption & Foster Care

Organizations that arrange permanent homes under new legal parentage for individuals whose birth parents are unable or unwilling to provide for their care. Foster Care provides temporary housing for children who cannot live with their families.

Animal Protection & Welfare

Organizations dedicated to animal well-being, including proper housing, management, disease prevention and treatment, responsible care, and humane handling.

Anti-Human Trafficking

Organizations involved in preventing, rescuing, and restoring people (men, women and children) who have been put into an exploitative situation for profit.

Anti-Slavery

Organizations that focus on liberating slaves, changing conditions that allow slavery to persist, and helping communities chart their path toward sustainable freedom.

Apologetics

Organizations whose mission is to defend the Christian faith.

Arts & Humanities

Organizations that promote, produce, or provide access to various arts experiences encompassing the visual, media, performing arts, or academic disciplines about human society and culture.

Bible Translation

Organizations whose mission is to accurately render the meaning of biblical texts from their original languages – Hebrew and Aramaic for the Old Testament, and Greek for the New Testament – into a “receptor language.”

Children’s & Youth Ministry

Ministries whose mission is to see children transformed by God through community and actively engaging their faith to make a difference for the kingdom. Programs allow children and youth to develop individual and group initiative and responsibility, self-reliance, courage, personal fitness, discipline, and other desirable qualities of character.

Christian Persecution

Organizations that aid Christians around the world who are being persecuted for their belief in Christ.

Church

Local bodies of Christians who gather to worship Jesus and grow in their faith.

Church Planting

Organizations dedicated to proclaiming the Gospel to those who have yet to hear it and helping to build churches where none currently exist.

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Civil Rights

Non-government organizations that advocate for civil rights by identifying their violations; collecting incident data, analysis, and publication; promoting public awareness while conducting institutional advocacy; and lobbying to stop abuses.

Colleges & Universities

Postsecondary institutions that offer undergraduate, associate, and graduate degrees, as well as doctorate programs.

Community Development

Nonprofit organizations focused on revitalizing communities – typically low-income, underserved neighborhoods with significant disinvestment. Many initiatives are critical to community health, such as economic development, sanitation, neighborhood planning, education, and social services.

Developmental Disabilities

Organizations dedicated to providing individualized services and support that promote independence, community involvement, and quality of life to children and adults with developmental disabilities.

Disaster Relief

Organizations that work to prevent, predict, or control the effects of disasters (such as floods, earthquakes, fires, tornadoes), educate and prepare individuals and victims to cope with the impact of disasters, and provide relief services.

Domestic Violence

Organizations that support victims of violent or aggressive behavior within the home, typically involving the abuse of a spouse or partner.

Education

Schools that provide a variety of education needs from pre-school and foundational learning to higher education and vocational training such as seminary.

Ending Homelessness

Organizations that provide supportive services for individuals and families who are homeless or are at risk of homelessness.

Environment

Organizations that protect, maintain, and restore the quality and interaction of living species, climate, weather, and natural resources that affect human survival and economic activity.

Family

Organizations that offer therapeutic sessions or other tools to strengthen the system of relationships and communication patterns among family members.

Food Supply

Organizations that improve food supply by gathering, storing, and distributing it to indigenous people at no charge or a low cost. They provide information, technical assistance, and support regarding planting, nurturing, protecting, and utilizing agricultural products to increase land productivity.

Giving & Generosity

Organizations that encourage generosity, provide financial support, and educate charities about fiscal management.

Healthcare

Healthcare facilities that operate 24-hours per day and offer diagnostics, treatment, emergency, and critical care services for people who have illnesses or injuries that need immediate, short-term intervention.

History

Organizations that promote awareness of and appreciation of history and historical artifacts.

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Housing

Organizations that provide safe, decent, and affordable shelter and help families create a new cycle filled with possibilities and progress.

Human Rights

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Humanitarian Aid & Development

Organizations that work to save lives and alleviate suffering during the aftermath of emergencies; respond to ongoing structural issues, such as poverty; and assist in building capacity to ensure resilient communities and sustainable livelihoods.

Jobs and Workplace

Organizations that engage and equip individuals addressing the impact of joblessness and creating a better workplace.

Leadership Development

Organizations whose programs and activities improve the skills, abilities, and confidence of leaders.

Legal Services

Organizations that provide legal aid to the needy.

Marriage

Ministries whose mission is to celebrate the sanctity of marriage by strengthening the bond between husband, wife, and God.

Media & Publishing

Organizations involved in the publishing, production, and programming of any variety of media, such as Bibles, books, podcasts, radio programs, websites, and other materials with religious content.

Medical Research

Organizations whose activities include research to improve the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of illness, as well as public education of that research.

Men's Ministry

Ministries whose mission is to see men transformed by God through the community and actively engaging their faith to make a difference for the kingdom, while serving in their spheres of influence.

Mental Health

Organizations that promote and improve emotional, psychological, and social well-being.

Microfinance

Organizations that provide financial solutions and training to empower people in poverty to transform their lives, their children's futures, and their communities.

Military Support

Membership organizations that are engaged in promoting the interests of the veterans and active or retired military personnel.

Missions

Organizations that train and send missionaries for evangelism or other activities.

Museums

Organizations that acquire, preserve, research, exhibit, and provide the educational use of works of art, objects, or artifacts related to the study of zoology, biology, botany, mineralogy, geology, history, archeology, or science and technology.

Orphan Care

Organizations caring for families and communities to serve a broad spectrum of orphan care and orphan prevention.

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Pastoral Care

Organizations that provide resources and support to pastors, chaplains, and other ministry staff so they can care for others.

Police & Fire Department

Organizations that provide advice and direction for police departments and community-based organizations, collect and disburse money in aid of injured police officers, and support local law enforcement activities and nonprofit groups.

Prayer

Organizations promoting prayer as a movement of worship, mission, and biblical justice.

Prison Ministry

Organizations that minister to both adults and juveniles imprisoned after conviction.

Public Policy

Organizations whose primary purpose is to conduct public policy research or analysis.

Right to Life

Organizations that protect and defend the sanctity of life of every human being from conception to natural death.

Refugee Support

Organizations that offer refugees the opportunity to rebuild their lives. Support can include financial coaching, vocational training, and asset building.

Shelter

Organizations that renew or rehabilitate old housing and abandoned buildings in blighted and depressed residential neighborhoods in order to provide a safe, sanitary, and pleasant place for people to live.

Single Parents & Widows

Organizations that minister to the needs of single parents and widows.

Social Justice

Organizations that advocate for equal justice regarding wealth, education, and other opportunities within a society, and help people overcome the root causes of social injustice.

Spiritual Development

Organizations whose programs and activities enable people to in their relationship with God.

Sports & Recreation

Organizations that provide opportunities for people of all ages to learn, become competitive in, and enjoy organized recreational activities and sports.

Student Ministry

Programs that provide opportunities for students to develop initiative, responsibility, self-reliance, courage, personal fitness, discipline, character, and spiritual growth through participation in a wide range of organized recreational, educational, and civic activities.

Water Quality & Supply

Organizations whose mission is to improve drinking water quality and supply; preserve and protect water resources from indiscriminate waste; and ensure that the supply of quality water is adequate to meet the needs of the public, agriculture, and industry.

Women's Ministry

Ministries whose mission is to see women transformed by God through the community and actively engaging their faith to make a difference for the kingdom, while serving in their spheres of influence.

Youth Camps

Organizations that operate facilities for youth to participate in a wide range of indoor and outdoor recreational, athletic, and group social activities, and grow in their faith in God.

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