

# Grantmaking Causes

Every day, thousands of individuals and families log in to their Giving Funds 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.

## **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**

Organizations 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 helping build churches where none currently exist, so that the Gospel may be proclaimed to those who have yet to hear it.

## **Civil Rights**

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.

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### **Community Development**

Organizations focused on revitalizing 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.

### **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.

### **Evangelism & Missions**

Organizations dedicated to proclaiming the Gospel to those who have yet to hear it, and training and sending missionaries for evangelism.

### **Family**

Organizations that offer therapeutic sessions or other tools to strengthen the 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.

### **History**

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

### **Homelessness**

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

### **Housing**

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

### **Human Rights**

Organizations that advocate for human rights by identifying violations; collecting incident data, its analysis and publication; promoting public awareness while conducting institutional advocacy; and working to stop abuses.

### **Human Trafficking**

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

### **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 & Workplace**

Organizations that engage and equip individuals who are addressing the impact of joblessness and helping with professional growth.

### **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.

### **Marketplace Ministry**

Organizations who perform evangelism or other Christian activities that are focused on the secular workplace instead of homes, churches, or specialized venues.

### **Marriage**

Organizations 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 Care**

Organizations committed to leadership and excellence in delivering quality healthcare services, educating and training healthcare professionals, and striving to improve the health status of a community.

### **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**

Organizations 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**

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

### **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.

### **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.

**Refugee Support**

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

**Retreat Centers & Camps**

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

**Right to Life**

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

**Single Parents & Widows**

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

**Slavery**

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

**Social Justice**

Organizations that advocate for equal justice regarding wealth, education, and other opportunities within a society.

**Spiritual Development**

Organizations whose programs and activities help people grow 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**

Organizations 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**

Organizations 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.

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