



“In Service to One. In Service to All.”

Rules for awarding Mini-Grants for Youth Service Projects REV.# 5

Grants awarded under this program are meant to be small (under \$500) and aimed at reducing or removing entirely a financial barrier that would discourage or prevent young people from carrying out small community service projects. By encouraging service projects, our young people will witness how their deeds inspire community pride and advance the principles of the Knights of Columbus (KOC); we look forward to seeing these Mini-Grants grow!

Eligibility

- Boys and girls, age 7 to 18, who are residents of Tarpon Springs, Palm Harbor or Holiday FL. are invited to apply. An adult advisor (age18+) is required to assure compliance with project specifications and Mini-Grant rules.

Requirements

- One application per youth per calendar year.
- Project application must be complete, including a responsible adult advisor and financial plan.
- There cannot be a financial reward for the leader or participants in a youth service project. Unused funding will be returned to the KOC.
- Project must begin within two (2) months of the grant award decision and a final report must be submitted within six (6) months.

Governance

- Applications for the Youth Mini-Grant will be available from the Knights of Columbus Council 7621 website, <https://kocignatius.org>. Click on “Mini-Grants” beginning January 1, 2024.
- An awards committee of the Knights of Columbus 7621 will review grant applications on an ongoing basis and recommend grant award decisions to the Knights of Columbus Grand Knight. Applicants for Mini-Grants will be notified of the status of their Mini-Grant within ten (10) days of the date the application was received.
- The committee may contact the project advisor with questions or clarifications.
- The Grand Knight or his designee will make final funding decisions, taking into consideration the committee’s recommendation and availability of funding.
- The adult advisor and applicant will be notified by email of the funding decision (full award, partial award, no award), required documentation and required timeline for submission of the final report.
- Rules can be changed as needed by the KOC.
- Awards are decided by five people who are leaders in our community.