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## PRESS RELEASE

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Re: **Catholic Foundation Awards \$95,500 to Diocese, Parishes, Schools and Catholic Organizations**

Thanks to the generosity of its donors and to favorable earnings on its investment portfolio, The Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of Lubbock, Inc., awarded 2011 grants totaling \$95,500, including \$85,000 to the Diocese of Lubbock to use in its important programs and ministries, and another \$10,500 to parishes, Catholic schools and organizations. The 2011 grant recipients are:

- Anton, St. Anthony of Padua - \$500 to assist in funding bi-weekly youth activities
- Crosbyton, St. Joseph (San Jose) - \$1,000 toward the purchase of new CCE textbooks for all grade levels
- Denver City, St. William - \$1,000 toward scholarships for high school graduates in the parish
- Lorenzo, San Lorenzo - \$1,000 toward major parish renovations and repairs
- Lubbock, Christ the King Cathedral School - \$1,000 to Adopt-a-School program to subsidize tuition expenses for families in need
- Lubbock, St. Joseph - \$1,000 toward classroom and bathroom upgrades in order to provide an after-school program and other youth activities
- Lubbock, St. Theresa - \$500 to match parish savings of \$500 in order to purchase a new riding lawn mower
- Pep, St. Philip Neri - \$1,000 to purchase new locks, fire extinguishers and caulk stained glass windows
- Slaton, Our Lady of Guadalupe - \$1,000 toward a renovation project that includes new restrooms and sacristy
- Slaton, St. Joseph Catholic School - \$1,000 to purchase student books and printed educational materials
- Snyder, Our Lady of Guadalupe - \$1,000 toward CCE room repairs, including floors, ceilings, desks and bathrooms

The recipients were announced and checks were presented to the pastors and to Most Rev. Plácido Rodríguez, CMF, Bishop of Lubbock, at the June 22 Presbyteral

Council Meeting held at the Catholic Renewal Center in Lubbock.

“We received 31 grant applications from different parishes or schools covering a wide variety of worthy projects,” said Don Wanjura, foundation chair. “Of course, we had more requests than money to distribute so our board focused on our Catholic schools, the parishes having fewer financial resources, and projects through which our \$500 or \$1,000 grant would make the biggest impact.”

The Catholic Foundation is a separately incorporated non-profit organization that exists solely to support the Diocese of Lubbock. Its focus is to continue to build its assets – currently at \$2.47 million – through planned gifts such as estate bequests, annuities, life insurance, investment portfolios and named endowments to create earnings for the long term support of the diocese and its parishes.

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Lubbock encompasses 25 counties and a self-identified Catholic population of close to 81,000. The diocese includes 62 parishes, two elementary schools, one middle school, one high school, one Catholic health care system and a social service agency, Catholic Family Service, Inc.

More information about the Catholic Foundation is available at [www.catholicfoundationlubbock.org](http://www.catholicfoundationlubbock.org) or by contacting Managing Director Renée Underwood at (806) 792-3943, extension 206 or [runderwood@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:runderwood@catholiclubbock.org).