



Shepherd's Staff

Scholarship Application Form

## Application for Financial Aid Instruction Sheet

Dear applicant,

The committee of the Shepherd's Staff welcomes your request for financial aid. We want to outline the purpose of the scholarship and the criteria that must be met in order to be considered for financial aid.

The purpose of the scholarship is to offer financial aid to applicants who would find paying the full tuition of a course to be a hardship. However, the committee overseeing this scholarship expects that applicants would seek other sources of financial support including, but not limited to, funds from the parish or organization the catechist will serve as well as funds from the applicant's own personal resources.

The scholarship supports applicants who have support from those they will serve as catechists. In this way, the formation of the catechist becomes a vehicle for stewardship for the whole community. Therefore, before requesting an amount, please consider other groups who are interested in supporting your formation. At the same time we realize that applicants may be taking the training to begin the work of the Catechesis in a parish or area that is unfamiliar with the work. Please indicate this situation on the application form. Please provide as detailed information as possible on the enclosed form about your reasons for seeking financial aid. All information provided will be treated as confidential. Financial Aid applications are due by the date listed on the Course Brochure. The Shepherd's Staff Scholarship Committee meets immediately after the due date.

The criteria that must be met in order for consideration are as follows:

- △ The course you are taking must be approved by the National Association of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. The course contact person will know if the course is approved or not. You may also go to the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd website [www.cgsusa.org](http://www.cgsusa.org).
- △ You must fill out ALL sections of the application. Incomplete applications will not be considered
- △ If you do not finish the full training you agree to reimburse the Shepherd's Staff Scholarship fund the full amount of the scholarship you received within 1 month of the start date of the training missed.

Thank you for taking time to apply,  
The Shepherd's Staff Scholarship Committee

Applicant Name:

Street Address:

City: State: Zip:

Email address:

Phone (Home): (Work):

(Mobile/Cell):

Are you a member of the National Association? [circle one]: Y N

Will you be the first CGS Catechist to begin an atrium in your parish or area? Y N

Atrium where you will serve as a catechist:

City: State:

Atrium Coordinator/Director Name:

Phone:

Training course in which you will enroll Level and Part:

## BUDGET CALCULATION

1.Total cost of course: \$

2. Amount paid by you or other sources : \$

3. If you will be or have requested financial support from any other sources to defray the cost of your training, please list amounts and sources: \$ Source:  
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Remaining Costs to Cover (1 less 2 and 3 above): \$

Of the Remaining Costs how much are you requesting in scholarship from Shepherd's Staff? \$

## DISCERNMENT

Financial aid requests will be evaluated by the Shepherd's Staff Scholarship Committee. Awards will be based on need and a commitment by the recipient to serve in the work.

Please share with us in the space below how you plan to use your training as a catechist in this work.

Please include:

- ◇ How you were drawn to this work.
- ◇ Where and whom you will serve-please list parish name if applicable.
- ◇ Why you feel your training is important to the community you will be serving.
- ◇ Simple timeline for beginning an atrium if you are establishing a new one.
- ◇ How you prayerfully discerned the financial aid you are requesting from Shepherd's Staff.
- ◇ Any other information you would like to share with the committee.

**Please email your completed Scholarship Application to**

**[vqp1@catholicexchange.com](mailto:vqp1@catholicexchange.com)**

**by the due date listed on the course brochure**

**God bless you!**