



Catholic Diocese of Helena

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For Youth By Youth Scholarship

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The For Youth By Youth Scholarship (FYBY) was created in partnership between the Catholic Youth Coalition (CYC) Board and the Diocese of Helena Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry (OYYAM) to nurture and foster a community of believers with equal access to OYYAM event opportunities. The fund was established and continues to be funded through the generous stewardship of both youth and adults in the Diocese of Helena. Funds are meant to be dispersed on a *need*-basis to assist young people with expenses associated with participating in OYYAM events and activities.

Award Criteria:

1. Registered and active parish participant in the Diocese of Helena
2. Active in any grade 1st – 12th or Young Adult Ministry (preference for grades 6-12)
3. Recommendation of pastor/youth minister
4. Declared need

Application Process:

Step 1: Meet with your pastor/youth minister and discuss the following questions:

1. Does the Parish Contact affirm and support your participation in this OYYAM event/program? (Select One): a) Yes, full support; b) Yes, with some reservation; c) No
2. How did the Parish Contact rate your participation in parish life? (Select One): a) Full Participation; b) Sufficient Participation; c) Some Participation; d) No Participation
(Note: At minimum, “participation” should include regularly receiving the Sacraments in accordance with Church teaching, especially attending weekend Mass. Full participation should include being active in the life and mission of the parish/school/ministry as age and ability allow – e.g. participates regularly in youth ministry events/programs)
3. Will your parish/school/ministry provide financial assistance for you to participate in this event? (Select One): a) Yes; b) No

Step 2: Complete and submit application materials (preferably online) at least two weeks before event.

Step 3: OYYAM will confirm the receipt of the application via email. Then, a decision will be made within 5 business days and notify the applicant via email. (Make sure to provide a valid email address!)

Deadline: All application materials must be received at least *two weeks prior* to the event.

Award Limit: The maximum award for any single scholarship will be 50% of the cost of participation (registration fee) of the event.

Questions: If you have any questions about the application process, contact Kevin Molm at 406.207.1660 or kmolm@diocesehelena.org.

Submit Application Online at DOHYOUTH.ORG (This is preferred!)

In extenuating circumstances, you may submit application via mail to the address below. All materials must be received at least 2 weeks before the event; incomplete or illegible applications will not be considered.

Diocese of Helena – OYYAM
Attn: FYBY Scholarship Application
P.O. Box 1729
Helena, MT 59624

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- Application -

To be completed by youth or parent/guardian. Please print or type your answers clearly.

Applicant (Youth) Information:			
First Name:		Last Name:	
Email:		Grade:	
Mailing Address:			
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy):	____ / ____ / ____	Phone:	() -
Name & Location (town/city) of Parish:			

Parent/Guardian Information:			
First Name:		Last Name:	
Cell Phone:	() -	Email:	

Questions for Applicant
Name and date of event for which you are seeking financial assistance:
Have you ever applied for a FYBY scholarship before? If "yes," when, for which event(s), and how much were you awarded?:
Please list other OYYAM events you are planning to or have already participated in <i>this year</i> ?
Do you have siblings who will participate in OYYAM events <i>this year</i> ? If yes, which event(s) and will they apply for a scholarship?

Financial Need Declaration (This is a <i>need-based</i> scholarship.)	
I declare that the cost of this event would be a financial burden to my family,	I agree - I Disagree
Would you be able to participate in this event if you do not receive any FYBY scholarship aid? (The maximum is 50% of the registration fee)	Yes - No - Maybe
On a scale of 1-10, how likely are you to participate in this event if you DO NOT receive any FYBY scholarship funds? (1=Not Likely; 10=Very Likely)	

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- Recommendation Form -

(This form to be completed by the applicant’s pastor, parish/pastoral administrator, or youth minister.)

The Diocese of Helena Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry (OYYAM) is committed to partnering with local parishes to fulfill the USCCB’s goal to “draw young people to responsible participation in the life, mission and work of the Catholic faith community.” Only through active participation in a *local parish* will youth be able to participate responsibly and fully in the Catholic faith.

OYYAM events are meant to complement, enhance, and affirm what youth experience in their local faith community. Therefore, we expect scholarship recipients to be active in parish life, especially youth ministry or faith formation programming. By signing this form, you are confirming the applicant’s participation in parish life and recommending him/her for this scholarship. (Note: At minimum, “participation” should include regularly receiving the Sacraments in accordance with Church teaching, especially attending weekend Mass. Full participation should include being active in the life and mission of the parish/school/ministry as age and ability allow)

Local parishes share the responsibility of supporting youth in their faith, including providing financial assistance, spiritual guidance, chaperone/safe environment responsibilities, etc. The *For Youth By Youth Scholarship* will provide up to 50% of the cost of an event. We encourage the youth’s local parish to also contribute to the cost of their youth’s participation, especially for those in need.

Pastor, Parish/Pastoral Administrator, or Youth Minister Information			
First Name:		Last Name:	
Title/Role:			
Email:		Phone:	() -
Name of Parish:		City/Town:	

Do you affirm and support the applicant’s participation in this OYYAM event/program?

- Yes, with full support
 Yes, with some reservation
 No

Will your parish provide financial assistance to the applicant for him/her to participate in this event?

- Yes
 No
 I don’t know.

How would you rate the applicant’s participation in parish life?

- Full Participation
 Sufficient Participation
 Some Participation
 No Participation

Other notes or comments (attach additional pages if necessary):

Signature: _____ Date: _____

By signing, you confirm that the information provided is accurate and true.