**2021 Statement of Mission**

**What does EDUSC’s SOM fund?**

Essential in the mind of the SOM Committee, in recommending a preliminary Statement of Mission, will be those goals previously named by the Diocese through the work of the Strategic Vision Task Force: To make, equip and send mature disciples of Jesus Christ into the world in witness to God’s love. Specifically, the diocese is seeking to concentrate on four areas:

* The Church as a Community of Worship, Prayer and Dialogue
* Formation, Teaching and Vocation within the Church
* Witness, Common Mission and Service to the World
* Stewardship and Care of People, Place and Money

The Commissions will be charged to make funding recommendations based on these goals, keeping in mind that the purpose of the SOM is to fund those ministries that can be carried out most effectively at the diocesan level. Many of our congregations are involved in meaningful ministries, and the SOM cannot support them all. It is for this reason that we honor requests primarily from committees, commissions, institutions, mission congregations and other entities that are carry out ministry at the diocesan level.

**Development Process**

***Ministries may use this form to submit their requests to the chairperson of their commission.*** Each commission of the Diocesan Executive Council will submit one application for funding using the 2021 Statement of Mission request form. All requests must be submitted to EDUSC by December through the Diocesan Chief Financial Officer (<ckelly@edusc.org>) using the forms available on the diocesan website ([www.edusc.org](http://www.edusc.org)). The diocesan staff will be responsible for publicizing the SOM requests for the commission and convocations to use during their deliberations and recommendations. The Statement of Mission Committee will determine block grants for each commission based on requests and projected income. Commissions will then be responsible for designating the grants at their April meetings. Line by line allocations will be due back to the Controller by April 27th. Commissions and convocations will receive the first draft of the 2020 SOM for comments and recommendations by mid-June. Once all recommendations are received, a second draft of the 2021 SOM will be reviewed by the SOM Committee and the Commission on the Diocese. This will in turn be presented to the Diocesan Executive Council at their September meeting. A balanced 2021 SOM will then be presented to the annual Diocesan Convention for approval.

Please see the “Timeline for EDUSC Statement of Mission (SOM)” at the end of this document for further details about the timing of this process.

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**Application**

**Please complete and return this form.**

Submit this form to your Commission chairperson.

Find the form on the web at [www.edusc.org](http://www.edusc.org)

**Name of ministry requesting funding:**

**Commission associated with this ministry:**

**Name of person completing this form:**

**Role of person completing this form:**

**Phone of person completing this form:**

**Email of person completing this form:**

1. Describe the Commission’s purpose.
2. List major ministry priorities.
3. In order of importance, list ministry/program initiatives with an estimate of annual cost.
4. Using the format provided. Attach a comprehensive budget. (It is highly recommended that the commission receive budgets from each ministry/initiative listed)
5. Provide a list of ministries funded in 2020 that are not self-sustaining or related to priorities of the commission.
6. Provide annual reports of all ministries/programs funded in 2019.
7. Committee Chair to attend Commission on the Diocese meeting on May 8, 2020, 10 AM – 2 PM.

**By signing below, I affirm and certify that all the information submitted in this application are complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

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**Signature Date**

**\*This entire application must be completed to be considered for inclusion in the 2021 SOM.\***

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| **December** | Commissions | * Commissions Submit Annual Reports to DEC, Identifying ministry priorities and strategies (See Diocesan Mutual Ministry Review) |
| **March 1 - 20** | Finance Committee (Commission on the Diocese)  All Commissions | * Receive an estimate of revenues from the Diocesan Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer. * Commissions accept 2021 Ministry Applications and Expense Spreadsheet from those who request funding. |
| **March 31** | Commission Chairs | * Commission chairs (or liaisons) submit a Comprehensive Statement of Mission Application and Expense Spreadsheet to the Chief Financial Officer, Chanda Kelly |
| **May - June** | Statement of Mission Committee  Commission Chairs | * The Statement of Mission Committee\* reviews all proposals and created Draft 1 of the Statement of Mission for the Diocesan Treasurer to present to Diocesan Executive Council. * Commission Chairs will meet with the Statement of Mission Committee May 8, 2020, 10 AM – 2 PM at All Saints, Clinton |
| **June** | Statement of Mission Committee  Commission on the Diocese  Diocesan Executive Council  Convocations | * Statement of Mission and Mutual Ministry Review to be a major item on June DEC agenda. * Diocesan Executive Council provides feedback to the Statement of Mission Committee\*. * Convocations are provided an update (with rationale) regarding the development of the Statement of mission * Commission and Statement of Mission representation to attend convocation meetings reporting all feedback to the Statement of Mission Committee. |
| **July** | Commissions | * Commissions review Draft 1 and provide feedback to the Statement of Mission Committee. * If warranted, the Statement of Mission Committee will meet with the commission chairs and liaisons for further review. |
| **August** | Statement of Mission Committee  Diocesan Executive Council | * The Statement of Mission Committee provides a final draft of the Statement of Mission to the DEC Executive Committee for review. |
| **September** | Diocesan Executive Council  Convocations | * DEC Executive Committee presents the final Statement of Mission to Diocesan Executive Council for action. * Convocations review the Statement of Mission approved by Diocesan Executive Council. * Convocations submit any amendments to the Statement of Mission Committee in writing 5 business days prior to Diocesan Convention. |
| **November** | Diocesan Convention | * Statement of Mission is presented for approval at convention. |