



## **2025 Report on Grants to Provincial Conference**

Please find below a description of each of the grants approved by the Province 1 Executive Committee in 2025. The indented description is provided by the grantees as part of their grant application. Following the report on 2025 Grants, a description of the grants to be awarded in 2026 is provided.

### **2025 Grants**

#### **2026 Deacons Biannual Meeting**

Sowing Seeds of Mission grant in the amount of \$2,500 to the Province 1 Archdeacons Network, including archdeacons from all seven dioceses in New England.

The Biannual Province 1 Deacons' Meeting, will be held at the Sheraton in Framingham, Massachusetts, from October 2-3, 2026. This meeting will be for active and retired Deacons in Province 1.

#### **A World Unraveling: A Day with Brian McLaren**

*Sowing Seeds of Mission Grant* in the amount of \$3,500 to Saint Alban's Episcopal Church in Portland Maine, along with collaborators in the Diocese of New Hampshire.

St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Cape Elizabeth, Maine has partnered with the Diocese of Maine, BTS Center (formerly Bangor Theological Seminary), Maine Council of Churches, and other clergy from the Dioceses of New Hampshire host a one-day conference on May 3, 2025 at the Westin Hotel in Portland, Maine called "A World Unraveling: A Day with Brian McLaren" in order to encourage the spiritual exploration of our local community and to share good news with people of faith or no faith.

#### **Province 1 Title IV Training**

*Sowing Seeds of Mission* grant in the amount of \$2,165 to the Canons and Chancellor's Network of Province 1 to support a Title IV training supporting practitioners from all 7 diocese in New England.

The Title IV process seeks to advance the Gospel goals of justice, reconciliation, accountability and amendment of life. At the same time the process is detailed and rigorously structured. It is essential that all participants understand their respective roles and responsibilities in order that it be both fair and pastorally

sensitive. This program will orient Intake Officers, Advisors, Disciplinary Board members, and others so that they can serve the Church and its people effectively. A full report from this grantee can be found [here](#).

### **Finding a Way: Walk it Back Weekend**

*Sowing Seeds of Mission Grant* in the amount of \$2,855 to the *Finding a Way* network, a group of Episcopalians from all seven dioceses of New England working towards three years of commemoration of the 350<sup>th</sup> anniversary of King Philip's War in 2025-2027

*Finding A Way 'Walk it Back' Weekend - June 20-22, Church of the Holy Spirit, Orleans.* A project of the Province I Finding A Way network, and led by the Rev. Rita Powell and others, this weekend course will provide training in the practice of listening to land and body to reckon with, witness, grieve, and honor our complex past with the hope of slowly undoing patterns of harm.

Exploring local geography and history with a local Indigenous teacher and faith based partners, this weekend begins preparation for a 3 year reckoning with the legacy of the 350<sup>th</sup> anniversary of King Philip's War, starting with Indigenous People's Day weekend in October of 2025.

### **2026 Grants**

*Grant instructions and application will be published following the close of Provincial Conference at [province1.org/grants](http://province1.org/grants).*

### **Sowing Seeds of Mission Grants**

*(Ministry Network Grants)*

This grant is for ministry networks in Province 1. A provincial ministry network is a group of Episcopalians (and communion partners), lay or ordained, from two or more of the seven dioceses in New England engaged in joint mission. The bishops of all dioceses involved must be aware of the network and the grant application.

Networks can be new or continuing from previous years, and the projects being funded can be new efforts or a repeat of a previous event. Each ministry network should limit itself to one grant per year. If funds allow in a given year second applications will be considered at the discretion of the provincial Executive Committee. Grants will be disbursed via reimbursement and a report at the end of the project (or end of the granting year) should be submitted to the Provincial coordinator for publication to the Province. The award limit for these grants is \$4,000.

Up to \$20,000 in Sowing Seeds of Mission Grants will be awarded in 2026. If, at mid-year, the Provincial finances allow, the Executive Committee will consider increasing the amount of grants to be offered.