



Women's Giving Circle

Grant Application

I. Contact Information

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II. Organization Information

Tax ID Number: <i>Attach an IRS status determination letter and most current IRS Form 990</i>	34-1040692
History of organization: <i>Please include the following: how many years you have been a non-profit, if you are partnering with other organizations, provide information about them.</i>	<p>Established in 1956 by the Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne, Holy Family Home was founded to provide compassionate end-of-life care for terminally ill cancer patients in the greater Cleveland area. As one of the nation's first compassionate care homes, Holy Family was the forerunner in hospice care in the greater Cleveland area before "Hospice" was a term.</p> <p>When the Dominican Sisters could no longer continue their work, they entrusted St. Augustine Health Ministries with Holy Family's legacy at the suggestion of Bishop Pilla, ensuring that these vital services would continue for future generations. Holy Family Home, a 30-bed inpatient facility, officially joined St. Augustine Health Ministries in 2005, and expanded its mission to care for individuals facing a wide range of life-limiting illnesses (not just cancer), and providing hospice care services wherever patients call home—whether in a private residence, nursing home, hospital, or our inpatient hospice house, Holy Family Home.</p> <p>Founded in 1969 by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Cleveland, St. Augustine Manor (now St. Augustine Health Ministries) is a leader in caring for older adults, chronically ill and clinically complex individuals, with a special concern for the poor and marginalized. Today, St. Augustine Health Ministries provides long-term care, skilled nursing, ventilator care, rehabilitation, and assisted living to 330 residents, ages 18 to 102. St. Augustine Health Ministries and Holy Family has remained committed to its mission of service, ensuring that all individuals—regardless of their financial circumstances—receive high-quality, dignified care.</p>
Mission of the organization:	<p>Our mission is to continue the healing ministry of Christ. Holy Family Hospice exemplifies this through our dedication to providing compassionate, high-quality care for individuals facing serious and life-limiting illnesses, regardless of financial means. Rooted in the values of dignity, comfort, and respect, our hospice services focus on supporting patients and their families throughout the end-of-life journey with medical, emotional, and spiritual and bereavement care.</p>
Leadership of organization: <i>Please attach composition of organization's staff and Board of Directors, including names and titles</i>	<p>Holy Family Hospice is led by Kristin Graham, Administrator of Holy Family Hospice (and Home), and Rick Meserini, President of St. Augustine Health Ministries. They are supported by an experienced team of hospice professionals, including physicians, nurses, social workers, chaplains, and trained volunteers, many of whom have dedicated years of service to Holy Family.</p> <p>Governance is provided by a Board of Directors committed to advancing our mission and ensuring sustainable, high-quality end-of-life care (see attached)</p>

Sources of organizational funding:	<p>The services of Holy Family Hospice (and Home) are supported through a combination of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Philanthropic Donations & Grants • Community Fundraising • Medicare & Medicaid Reimbursements
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III. Project/Program Description

<p>Project Overview – <i>Describe the specific purpose of the project and how funds will be spent.</i></p>	<p>For nearly seven decades, Holy Family Hospice has been steadfast in its mission to provide compassionate, high-quality end-of-life care to all individuals, regardless of their financial circumstances. Rooted in the moral and ethical principles of Catholic social teaching, we uphold the sacredness of all life, ensuring that every patient receives dignified and respectful care during their final journey.</p> <p>Our hospice house, Holy Family Home, offers 30 private residential rooms nestled on 7.5 beautifully wooded acres in Parma, Ohio. Services are provided 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, creating a serene environment where patients and their families can find peace and comfort. It is important to note that room and board expenses at Holy Family Home are not covered under health care coverage.</p> <p>Many of those we serve are among the working poor, uninsured, or underinsured. For the patients diagnosed with a terminal illness at a younger age, they may not qualify for Medicare, and private insurance may offer minimal or no coverage for hospice care wherever it is received.</p> <p>Consider the case of a husband and father of two children who was admitted to our Hospice program at his home. Already grappling with the emotional weight of a terminal diagnosis, the family faces the added financial stress of the loss of an income. This gap often places a substantial financial burden on families, especially those already facing economic hardships.</p> <p>In the past year, Holy Family Hospice served 579 patients from the Greater Cleveland area, with 4% under the age of 60 — <u>a demographic that continues to grow</u>. Notably, 36% of those who chose Holy Family are not Catholic; their respect for quality of the care, and the pastoral care offered by our religious sisters is a significant factor in their decision. Our bereavement staff reaches hundreds of individuals through counseling and a variety of support groups, offering essential emotional support during challenging times.</p> <p>By addressing this critical area, Holy Family Hospice seeks to uphold its guiding principles of providing compassionate, high-quality end-of-life care to all, regardless of financial means.</p>
<p>Project Details – <i>What do you hope to achieve? Why is the project needed? Who will participate in your project? What specific activities will you do to achieve your goals?</i></p>	<p>A grant from the Women’s Giving Circle will help us sustain and expand the essential services Holy Family Hospice provides to those with a financial hardship.</p>

<p>Organizational Capacity – <i>Who will staff your project? What are the qualifications of your staff? What experience does your organization have that will support the project's success? How does the project help your organization meet its mission?</i></p>	<p>Holy Family Hospice remains true to the legacy of its founding Sisters and to our Mission of providing the highest standard of care to all in need with special concern for the poor. Many facilities would be willing to turn someone away when their money runs out or they have no financial means to pay for services. While we have a business to run, our focus remains on upholding our mission – to continue the healing ministry of Christ with special concern for the poor. Holy Family continues to stand out as the only hospice program in the greater Cleveland area with a 5-star rating in family satisfaction.</p>
<p>Project Evaluation – <i>What are your specific measurable outcomes for this project? What criteria will you use to measure your success?</i></p>	<p>Provide terminally ill individuals without financial or supportive resources with personal, attentive, compassionate end-of-life care. Holy Family tracks numbers on this.</p>
<p>Project Sustainability – <i>What are your plans for continuing this project after your grant cycle ends?</i></p>	<p>In terms of long-term sustainability, Holy Family continues to deliver high quality, attentive care which makes us well respected in the community. Bequests annual appeal donations, memorial donations and grants allow us to care for the poor.</p>
<p>Partnerships – <i>Do you plan to partner with another organization(s)? If yes, please describe the partnership arrangement(s).</i></p>	

IV. Project/Program Funding

Requested Funding:	Holy Family Hospice respectfully requests \$15,000 from the Women's Giving Circle.
Brief Narrative of Project Budget <i>indicate how WGC funds will be used.</i> <i>Attach project budget. Include all committed and anticipated funding for the project and the project's expenses, itemized by category e.g. salaries with F.T.E.</i>	<p>The purpose of this grant proposal is to secure funds that will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Subsidize Room and Board Costs: (\$225.00 per day) Offset expenses for low-income, uninsured, or underinsured patients requiring inpatient hospice care, ensuring they receive necessary services without financial hardship.• Expand Access to Underserved Populations in the Community: Reach more individuals facing financial barriers, providing them with the compassionate care they deserve during their final days.• Enhance Support Services for Families: Offer comprehensive bereavement counseling and support groups to help families navigate the emotional challenges of losing a loved one.