



Knights of Columbus

Georgia State Council

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THE GEORGIA STATE COUNCIL CHARITIES BENEFIT RAFFLE

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic, Family, Fraternal Service organization of Catholic men numbering more than 1.9 million in more than 15,000 councils throughout North and Central America, the Philippines, the Caribbean, Poland and Guam. Founded in New Haven Connecticut in 1882 by Father Michael J McGivney, The Knights of Columbus endeavor to promote Catholicism and to provide financial assistance to those in need.

Each year the Georgia State Council of the Knights of Columbus conducts a statewide Charities Benefit Raffle. A percentage of the money raised by each council in this Raffle is donated back to a charitable organization designated by that council. After the prize money has been distributed the remainder of the money is distributed in equal portions to charities selected by the Georgia State Council at its Annual Meeting. Councils are invited to nominate charities to the State Charities Committee, which makes recommendations of recipients to the Georgia State Council.

REQUIREMENTS

To be considered for funding:

- The policies and goals of the organization must be consistent with Roman Catholic teaching.
- The organization must demonstrate financial need.
- The organization must be dedicated to the work of the Gospel; high priority will be given to groups which minister to the poor, the disabled, the sick, clergy and religious, youth, and pro-life activities.

GUIDELINES FOR NOMINATION FOR STATE PORTION OF FUNDS

- All requests must be submitted through a local council.
- All requests must be submitted by the local council to the State Charities Committee Chairman, to be received **by April 14, 2017**, for delivery to the State Charities Committee.
- All requests must be submitted on the form provided.
- All requests must include a financial statement from the organization.
- The organization's mission statement and synopsis of how the organization intends to use the money must be included.
- Funding is for one year only. A new request must be submitted each year.

Mark Corrigan
State Secretary

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