



The Episcopal Partnership for Mission and Outreach is proud to announce our 2016 Campaign, returning in Lent (February 10 through March 27). We are excited to share our vision for the Partnership with you.

The focus of the Partnership is connections. Connecting congregations to each other through common ministries. Connecting congregations to organizations in their communities and around the diocese. Connecting congregations and the diocese to the opportunities in the wider church and world. Connecting congregational ministries to sources of funding and other support through the Partnership, the wider church, and secular sources.

As in the past, your contributions to our 2016 Campaign will go towards grants to congregational ministries, particularly to emerging and expanding ministries, but they will do much more. Your contributions will help provide an infrastructure to support your ministries in many other ways. We are going to create:

- A team of grant researchers and writers who will apply for large-scale grants on behalf of several ministries in the diocese (for example, a single \$20,000 grant to the Partnership that can be divided up among all the hunger ministries in the diocese);
- Community liaisons who make connections with our wider community in Western New York, finding ways that the diocese and our congregations can contribute to the work in which they are already engaged;
- A team of young adult Episcopal Service Corps volunteers who come to Western New York from other parts of the country to help run the day-to-day affairs of the Partnership, maintaining critical connections with congregations, our community, and the wider church;
- Educational opportunities and seminars about various issues and opportunities in Western New York and how we can be engaged in them;
- Connections to mission opportunities in the wider church and world.

Through your gift to the Partnership, you make possible all of these resources. You enable all of the congregations of Western New York to make a difference in their communities. You allow the congregations of Western New York to expand their ministries and deepen their connections to each other and the communities around them.

Thank you for your gift which allows the Partnership to connect the dots of vision, mission, need and resources. Thank you for helping our congregations love God, love their neighbors and change the world around us.