2018 Property Improvement Grant Request Information

If you are ever asked, please know that Isabelle Eaton, Sebastian Lawrence, Luna Terrell, Mary Beach, Celia Castle and J.M. Downes share something in common. Each of them, in their own way and with distinctive restrictions, left part of their estates to the Episcopal Church in Connecticut to provide financial support for parish building projects.

ECCT’s Property Committee is eager to increase the awareness and utilization of these bequests. If your parish has completed a building capital improvement project in 2018, it can apply for a partial reimbursement of its expenses by following the directions on the Property Improvement Grant Application.

As noted, each of the donor’s listed above specified their wishes for how their gifts should be used, including factors such as the maximum amount to be awarded for any one project and the region where awards should be granted. Members of ECCT’s Property Committee will respect these wishes in evaluating grant requests. It is important to note that financial need was cited as a criterion by these donors. Awards will not be made for over 50% of the document project expense. No grants will be made in excess of $8,000 (note that in some circumstances, donor’s restrictions will mandate a substantially lower maximum award amount). Consistent with ECCT canons, parishes must be in good standing to be eligible grant recipients.

Please complete your grant requests and mail them to the address listed in the Property Improvement Grant Application no later than 12/31/2018.