



PHILOPTOCHOS EXPERIENCES A RECORD BREAKING YEAR DISBURSEMENTS TOTAL \$2,057,990 IN 2016

The National Board of the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society, Inc. announces that as a result of the hard work of every Philoptochos chapter across the nation and with the support and cooperation of their entire parish families, funds totaling **\$2,057,990** were disbursed from January 1 – December 31, 2016. These donations are in addition to other philanthropic assistance provided by the Metropolises and over 400 individual chapters across the country. Following is a listing of the National Philoptochos Ministry Commitments/Programs and Special Collections along with the programs and organizations that benefited:

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and National Shrine at the World Trade Center	\$700,000	To the St. Nicholas Shrine Building Fund
St. Basil Academy		
Vasilopita	\$400,000	For operational expenses
Sisterhood Fund	\$35,755	\$27,000 for the purchase of a mini van \$4,955 for graduation ceremonies \$3,800 for Christmas and graduation gifts for the children
Hellenic College/Holy Cross Scholarship Fund	\$75,700	\$71,700 for scholarships; \$4,000 to students for special merit awards
Lenten Appeal Fundraiser	\$75,000	To refurbish 9 classrooms in the Skouros Classroom Building, as well as the Reading Room in the Archbishop Iakovos Library and Learning Resource Center by replacing the flooring, painting the walls and purchasing new furniture.
Aid to Greece and Cyprus	\$80,000	Greece: \$30,000 to Aposotoli Demetreion Center \$10,000 Metropolis of Patras Soup Kitchen \$10,000 Metropolis of Ilias Feeding Programs Cyprus: \$10,000 Autism Program

Archdiocesan Presbyters Council/National Sisterhood of Presvyteres Benevolent Fund (APC/NSP)	\$32,000	\$20,000 Therapeftiko Kentro Paidion Kypriakou Erythrou Stavrou- Stella Soullioti For assistance to Clergy and their families in need.
Autism Assistance Fund	\$27,800	\$7,800 Autism Clinic & Training Center, University of Chicago \$10,000 Autism Program in Cyprus \$10,000 Developmental Connections in Ashburn, VA- Marvin's Club- Social Skills in Schools
Cancer Fund	\$58,318	For assistance to individuals
Children's Medical Fund 2015	\$14,841	For assistance to individuals
Ecumenical Patriarchate	\$125,000	For Patriarchal ministries
General Medical Fund	\$17,623	\$5,000 to the Treehouse in Wichita, KS for infant formula for economically challenged children \$12,623 for assistance to individuals
International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)	\$35,000	Women's Sustainable Agricultural Project in the West Bank and Water Emergency Project in Gaza
Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC)	\$24,400	For women's mission trip to Kenya and Albania
Orthodox Christian Fellowship	\$22,500	For the OCF Summer Leadership Institute to train student leaders to assist with OCF programs and projects on campus & surrounding communities
Retired Clergy and Widowed Presvyteres Benevolent Fund	\$20,000	General donation
St. Photios Shrine	\$29,000	\$28,000 General donation \$ 500 for Greek Landing Day \$ 500 for Pilgrimage Sponsorship
Support a Mission Priest (SAMP)	\$32,000	To benefit mission priests and general donation

75 th Anniversary Founders Fund	\$25,668	For assistance to individuals
Social Services	\$72,385	For assistance to individuals
UNICEF	\$50,000	US Fund for Children First
National Philoptochos Emergency Fund	\$105,000	\$25,000 to the IOCC for Hurricane Matthew Relief Fund \$25,000 to the IOCC for Aid to West Virginia \$35,000 to the Metropolis of Atlanta for Aid to Baton Rouge, LA Floods \$20,000 to Ionian Village Relief Fund

The ladies of the Philoptochos Society express their heartfelt gratitude to Philoptochos chapters and parishes across the nation for support of their philanthropic programs in 2016. Without the cooperation of the entire Greek Orthodox community, our work would not be possible. For more information on National Philoptochos ministries and commitments, please see: www.philoptochos.org/outreach/commitments.