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Leadership 100 approves Five Million Dollars for Saint Nicholas National Shrine and Additional Grants of $2,673,658 at its Annual Conference



Following the formal announcement that Leadership 100 Board of Trustees approved a grant of five million dollars for Saint Nicholas National Shrine, His Eminence Archbishop of America celebrated this historic decision. “Today, Leadership 100 has again responded to the call of need, as they have time and time again in the history of our Archdiocese. We thank the entirety of the membership of Leadership 100, not only for this grant, but for their continued confidence in Saint Nicholas National Shrine, and their dedication to its completion.”

The decision for this grant was voted on and approved at the Leadership 100 Annual Conference held in Florida from February 18-23. “Our action demonstrates the support of Leadership 100 in ensuring the realization of this significant national symbol for our Church and our Nation,” commented Chairman Argyris Vassiliou.

The Saint Nicholas grant will be paid over the next two fiscal years, $2.5 million in 2020, and $2.5 million in 2021. The Executive Committee approved the grant, along with additional new and prior year grants of $2,673,658 to be distributed in 2020.

This was the first Leadership 100 Conference for His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros.

At the Conference's Grand Banquet, His Eminence shared his deep appreciation with the Leadership 100 members: "This celebration of love, of fellowship, and faith is deeply inspiring to me. It is my prayer that as we go forward together – even as we have for the sake of the Saint Nicholas National Shrine at the World Trade Center, that we will always find common ground around the work of Christ and His Holy Church. Your stewardship of this Endowment – a visionary testament to the ever-memorable Archbishop Iakovos – is an example for the entirety of the Archdiocese."

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