

The Board of Directors of American Pilgrims on the Camino is pleased to report the grants awarded through the 2021 Camino Infrastructure Grants Program.

Our Grants Program is one of the ways that members give back to the Camino. Through it we fulfill our mission to develop and improve the infrastructure of the Camino.

Since 2008, membership dues and special donations to the Grants Program have enabled American Pilgrims to make grants in an amount exceeding \$400,000. These funds have supported a variety of Camino projects.

Thanks to all of our members for supporting this program! As always, the number of worthy applications in 2021 exceeded our available funds. However, many projects that will directly benefit pilgrims and the Camino will be supported.

In 2021, American Pilgrims distributed 11 grants in the total amount of \$48,214. A team of ten volunteers reviewed qualified applications and then made recommendations to the board based on the most needed and well-planned projects. The ten reviewers are all American Pilgrims members and include former board members, hospitaleros, chapter coordinators, Gathering presenters and other active members. The following is a list of this year's grantees, with a brief description of how their grant monies will be spent.

Asoc Gaditana Jacobea "Via Augusta"/VÍA SERRANA (LA LÍNEA-UTRERA-SEVILLA); VÍA DEL ESTRECHO (ALGECIRAS-BAHÍA DE CÁDIZ); VÍA AUGUSTA- \$2,350

This grant was awarded for signage and way marking across "Via Augusta". It includes funds to include posts, arrows and ceramic tiles to improve the signage as the route described above.

Associacion Gerunda: Amics dels camins de Sant Jaume de les comarques gironines-\$3,592

This grant provides funds to add posts with signage along the Via Heraclea to the Camino de Rodes.

Asociación de Amigos de los Caminos de Santiago de Madrid / Camino de Madrid-\$3,372

The funds provided are for the installation of shower walls and shower fixtures in the Alberge.

Associación Amigos del Camino de Santiago Briviesca-Bureba / Via Bayona- \$3,100 This grant provides funds for Albergue furniture.

Albergue Parroquial Santa María del Camino / C. Frances-\$5,000

The funds provided are for the repair and installation of the heating system in the Alberge and the casa parroquial of the Santa Maria del Camino Church.

Associación de Amigos del Camino de Santiago en Cádiz- \$6,000

The grant provides funds for signage posts and sign maintenance on the Via Augusta

Albergue de Peregrinos de Emaús / C. Frances- \$3,800

The grant funds replacement of equipment and repairs in the Albergue.

FEAACS - FEDERACION ESPAÑOLA DE ASOCIACIONES DE AMIGOS DEL CAMINO DE SANTIAGO / todos los caminos-\$3,000

The grant provides funds for Albergue improvements for Covid protocols.

ALBERGUE SANTA MARIA DEL AZOGUE. FUNDACION ACOGIDA CRISTIANA EN LOS CAMINOS DE SANTIAGO / C. Ingles-\$6,000

Funding provides for electrical installations and replacement of kitchen equipment.

Associación de Amigos del Camino de Santiago en Cadalso de los Vidrios / CdeS del Sureste y C de Levante-\$6,000

The funding provides signage on the Camino del Sureste.

ASOCIACIÓN JACOBEA DE JEREZ DE LA FRONTERA SHARISH / Via Augusta, C. Ceretano-\$6,000

The grant provides funds to purchase and install milestones, vertical signs, tiles and wooden posts to improve the signage along the Camino on less well traveled roads along the Camino.

A big thank you to all that reviewed the grants applications, participated in the grantsmaking process and donated funds to support another year of our robust Grants Program.

Mission: The mission of American Pilgrims on the Camino is to foster the enduring tradition of the Camino by supporting its infrastructure, by gathering pilgrims together, and by providing information and encouragement to past and future pilgrims.

Vision: We inspire all who seek the spirit of the Camino to connect with the global community of pilgrims.