

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN  
of  
THE DIOCESE OF TEXAS

**RESOLUTION OF DISSOLUTION**

**Whereas**, the purpose of a diocesan Episcopal Church Women (“ECW”) board has become unclear over the years, as congregational chapters of ECW operate autonomously and successfully with little need for oversight from a diocesan board;

**Whereas**, multiple efforts to restructure or revision the diocesan ECW board over the years have not yielded a clearer statement of purpose;

**Whereas** attendance at the annual meeting/retreat of the diocesan ECW has declined, as has financial support from the congregations for the diocesan ECW;

**Whereas**, it has become difficult to recruit committed women to fill diocesan ECW board positions;

**Whereas**, the board of the diocesan ECW and Bishop C. Andrew Doyle have approved the proposed plan of dissolution set forth below; and

**Whereas**, the proposed plan of dissolution will provide outreach funds to several vital ministries that are in need in these difficult times.

**Be it therefore Resolved that:**

1. The proposed plan of dissolution of the diocesan ECW, including the disposition of funds outlined below, is hereby approved.

2. Prior to dissolution, the ECW board shall dispose of any existing funds as follows:

a. Full payment of all indebtedness;

b. Grants of \$30,000 each to the following ministries:

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>Location (Convocation)</u>
El Buen Samaritano	Austin (Austin)
St. Vincent’s House	Galveston (Galveston)
Ubi Caritas	Beaumont (Southeast)
Compassion Ministries	Waco (Northwest)
Family Crisis Center of East Texas	Lufkin (Northeast)

Lord of the Streets Mission	Houston (East Harris)
Mission of Yahweh	Houston (West Harris)
Hope Center	Houston (San Jacinto)
Brazos Valley Food Bank	Bryan (Central)
Matagorda Episcopal Health Outreach Program	Bay City (Southwest)

c. A grant of \$30,000 to the Iona School for Ministry to fund scholarships for women in formation there;

d. The ECW board will also entertain smaller sustaining grants to congregations and local ECW chapters for outreach projects, with special consideration for projects previously funded, as well as for smaller congregations.

e. The ECW board will also appoint permanent trustees to administer the Vera Gang Scott Scholarship Fund for women, which will continue intact.

f. Any funds remaining after these distributions will be given to the United Thank Offering.

3. The ECW board is hereby authorized to take all necessary and appropriate steps to implement this plan of dissolution