

Committee on Mission and Outreach Action Grant Guidelines

- Application deadlines are March 1 and October 1. (Actual dates TBD)
- All grant applications will be reviewed; however, priority will be given to the following:
 - > Grant applications within the bounds of the Presbytery of Florida and sponsored by a congregation/session in the Presbytery.
 - > Grant applications that are sponsored by churches in the Presbytery of Florida that have never sponsored a grant or have not done so in some time.
 - > Grant applications that have the greatest demonstrated need as determined by the Congregational Mission Support Team.
 - > Grant applications that address social justice issues, and/or racial/ethnic issues.
 - > Projects which are sensitive to the environment.
 - > Projects with direct, regular input from the group of people who will benefit directly.
 - > Grant applications that have kept administrative cost to a minimum.
- Other criteria:
 - > Grant applications must demonstrate an ability to provide the services indicated in the grant proposed.
 - > A report on the use of a grant will be required within 6 months of awarding the grant. (Actual times TBD)
 - > Projects will be limited to one grant every 18 months. (Actual limit TBD)
- To be eligible, programs should provide at least one of the following:
 - > Identified Needs – serving the marginalized, the poor, and the under-served, including mental health, physical health, justice, racial-ethnic, or systemic issues.
 - > Development Assistance – encourage programs in such areas as training in community outreach, nutrition, education, public health, literacy, family stability, ecumenical endeavors, etc.
 - > Influencing Public Policy – as Christians, advocate in the centers of political and economic power, support policy changes that will provide avenues of hope, reconciliation, and justice.
 - > Lifestyle Integrity – assist in moving toward personal and corporate lifestyles which are sensitive to the reality of the earth's limited resources and the critical needs of over half the human family.
 - > Education and Interpretation – provide educational resources, such as training, equipping, and other strategies addressing developmental, personal, justice, or racial/ethnic issues.
 - > Vision Strategies – Address long-term correction of conditions that keep people bound by poverty and oppression.

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY ACTION GRANT APPLICATION

PRESBYTERY OF FLORIDA COMMITTEE ON MISSION AND OUTREACH

1. Name & address (including mailing address, phone, e-mail and fax numbers of:

Organization: Address

Contact Person: Address, if different.

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Date of Application: _____ Amount of Request: _____

2. How will these funds be used? Name and description of project/program.
3. Who will benefit from these funds?
4. What identified need in your community will your program/project meet and how will you do so?
5. Approximately how many people will you assist in your program per year?
6. What church committee/steering committee will oversee organization and implementation of the program?
7. How are the people you will serve be involved in the planning and decision-making of your organization?
8. How does your project meet the program areas of the CMO Church and Community Action grants? (Hunger programs, Development Assistance, influencing Public Policy, Lifestyle integrity, Education and Interpretation, Poverty and Oppression.)
9. Are there other agencies/organizations in your area which provide the same services as your organization? How will you avoid duplication of services or recipients?

10. Approximately how many volunteers will be involved in your program?

11. Include a copy of your latest budget for this project/program and any other grants received this past year for this project/program.

12. We ask that all grant recipients please submit within six months of completion of the project a report of the program implementation and the results.

Please complete this application, attaching additional pages where necessary. Include other information about your organization or project if applicable.

Return to: Presbytery of Florida
Committee on Mission and Outreach
PO Box 7
Chipley, FL 32428

Or email to office@presbyteryofflorida.com

To determine that an organization seeking grant funds relates properly with the Presbyterian Church (USA), we ask that the following certification accompany the grant application when it is forwarded to our offices.

CERTIFICATION:
We hereby certify that on _____ (date) the Session of _____ (name of Church) approved the sponsorship of _____ (name of applicant organization) in seeking a Church and Community Action Grant from the Presbytery of Florida.

Moderator

Clerk of Session