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## SOURCES OF FUNDING

*updated 3/18*

***These funds are available only to ministries originating within the geographical boundary of the Susquehanna Annual Conference***

As churches develop outreach programs to meet needs in their local communities and look for more ways to be in ministry, church leaders also look for additional ways to fund these programs. A limited number of grants, loans and scholarships are available through Susquehanna Conference of The United Methodist Church.

The following list includes general descriptions and contact information for each fund.

### GRANTS

#### HEALTH-RELATED MINISTRIES GRANTS

*from the Conference budget through Shares of Ministry; administered by the Mission and Outreach Team*  
Health-Related Ministries Grants are available to congregations, networks, and other Conference related agencies (not benevolent homes) to support existing and new health ministry's projects. Grants of up to \$5,000 will be considered for programs related to spiritual, physical, emotional and psychological health and wholeness. Deadline September 1; there is sometimes a second round with March 1 deadline.

- For information on [grant policy](#) and an [application](#), contact:  
Lisa Bender  
Susquehanna Conference  
303 Mulberry Drive  
Mechanicsburg PA 17050-3179  
(717) 766-7441  
Email: [lbender@susumc.org](mailto:lbender@susumc.org)

#### PEACE WITH JUSTICE GRANTS

*from Peace with Justice Offerings – 50% of our conference Peace with Justice Offering stays in our conference; administered by Conference Mission and Outreach Team through the Peace with Justice Coordinator*

- Peace with Justice Grants are available to projects of mission which clearly have a Peace with Justice emphasis; priority given to seed money for new projects; funding can be requested up to \$1,000
- For information and an [application](#), contact:  
Pastor Michelle Bodle, Peace with Justice Coordinator  
910 E Pine St  
Philipsburg PA 16866  
Phone: (814) 342-3060 (church)  
Email: [mbodle@susumc.org](mailto:mbodle@susumc.org)

## **PRISON MINISTRY GRANTS**

*from Prison Ministry Advance Funds; administered by the Mission and Outreach Team*

- Funding is provided for churches and groups who are initiating criminal justice ministries; to cutting edge ministries to youth and children who are in detention centers, are victims of crime, or are in the families of prisoners; for restorative justice and advocacy ministries, after care and chaplaincy; ministry that addresses the death penalty, as well as state, national and international justice.
- For information and [applications](#), contact:  
Pastor Kristopher Sledge  
PO Box 277  
State Line PA 17263  
Phone: (717) 597-4217  
Email: [ksledge@susumc.org](mailto:ksledge@susumc.org)

## **WORLD HUNGER GRANTS**

*from Conference World Hunger Offering; administered by World Hunger Task Force of the Conference Missional Board*

- World Hunger grants are given to food banks, soup kitchens, and other food related ministries within the bounds of Susquehanna Conference
- For information and an [application](#), contact:  
Flo Waybright  
371 Little Creek Rd  
Spring Grove PA 17362  
(717) 225-5933  
Email: [waybright5@comcast.net](mailto:waybright5@comcast.net)

## **YOUTH SERVICE FUND GRANTS**

*from Youth Service Fund Offerings; administered by Conference Young People's Ministry Council*

The Youth Service Fund of the Conference Young People's Ministry Council is a fund created for, directed for and used by youth for mission, ministry and service to the glory of God. Grants of up to \$1,000 are available for projects or ministries related to youth.

- For information on project [guidelines and an application](#), contact:  
Audrey Wilder  
Susquehanna Conference  
303 Mulberry Drive  
Mechanicsburg PA 17050-3179  
(717) 766-7441  
Email: [awilder@susumc.org](mailto:awilder@susumc.org)

[Online](#) or [PDF Application](#)

## LOANS

### LOAN COMMITTEE

*from investments by individuals, congregations and other agencies in the Conference Loan Fund; administered by the Loan Committee through the Conference Missional Board.*

- For building and repair projects by congregations and conference agencies
- For information and an application, contact the Finance Office at (717) 766-5275.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

### BOARD OF ORDAINED MINISTRY CONTINUING FORMATION FUND

*from contributions and investments in the Ministerial Education Fund and the Educational Leave Fund; administered through the Board of Ordained Ministry, Continuing Formation Committee.*

- Offers financial assistance to fulfill continuing education requirements of the Susquehanna Annual Conference
- Applicants must be under appointment or events which focus on those under appointment.
- For information see Board of Ordained Ministry web page or contact:
  - **Rev. Kathy Harvey Nelson**, Chairperson, Continuing Formation  
4273 Druck Valley Road  
York, PA 17406-8743  
Phone: (717) 968-4847  
Email: [knelson@susumc.org](mailto:knelson@susumc.org)

### SUSQUEHANNA CONFERENCE MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

*from the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry based on a percentage of our Conference Student Day Offering*

- **The Susquehanna Conference Merit Scholarship** is for college students attending United Methodist-related colleges and universities. Application is made through the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (GBHEM) offices in Nashville TN. Be sure to indicate as part of the application that you wish to be considered for our conference merit scholarship in addition to others for which you may be qualified.
- **The Fall 2018 GBHEM on-line scholarship application is open January 3, 2018 - March 1, 2018 at [www.gbhem.org](http://www.gbhem.org)**

### CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

*From Shares of Ministry, Offerings to the Outdoor Christian Education Offering, and Donations; administered by Camping and Retreats Commission*

- Camperships are available for children and youth unable to afford the summer camp registration fee. Requests are kept confidential. Scholarships are usually equal half the cost of camp registration.

- For information and applications, contact:  
Patricia Frye  
303 Mulberry Drive  
Mechanicsburg PA 17050-3179  
Phone: (717) 766-7395; Fax: (717) 766-5976  
Email: [pfrye@susumc.org](mailto:pfrye@susumc.org)

### **CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS for children of prison inmates**

*from Prison Ministry Advance Funds; administered by the Conference Mission and Outreach Team*

- Camperships are available for children of Susquehanna Conference prison inmates to participate in Christian summer camping experiences. Churches or chaplains can seek half the funding for children of inmates to attend a summer Christian camping program.
- For information and applications, contact:  
Pastor Kristopher Sledge  
PO Box 277  
State Line PA 17263  
Phone: (717) 597-4217  
Email: [ksledge@susumc.org](mailto:ksledge@susumc.org)

### **STUDENT AID FUND**

*from contributions and investments; administered by the Conference Student Aid Fund Board of Managers*

- Offers financial assistance to persons preparing to fulfill their call to full time pastoral ministry in Susquehanna Conference
- Applicants must be certified candidates for the ordained ministry; attending or planning to attend a school approved by the University Senate of the United Methodist Church and have demonstrated financial need
- For information and an application, contact:  
Rev. Nicholas E. Keeney  
6300 Chambers Hill Rd  
Harrisburg PA 17111-3316  
Phone: (717) 561-0388  
[nkeeney@susumc.org](mailto:nkeeney@susumc.org)

## **THE MAUD K. JENSEN/KAREN E. LAYMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND**

*from Women in Ministry of the Susquehanna Conference; administered by the United Methodist Stewardship Foundation*

- Offers financial assistance to women entering ministry
  
- For information, contact:  
Rev. Anna Layman Knox  
417 S 22<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Camp Hill PA 17011-5404  
Phone: (717) 737-3844  
Email: [aknox@susumc.org](mailto:aknox@susumc.org)

### **[Online Application](#)**

***DENOMINATIONAL GRANTS, LOANS AND SCHOLARSHIPS are available through the United Methodist Church. For information, go to the InfoServ web site:***

**<http://main.umc-gbcs.org/conference-connections>**

### ***SEARCH THE FOUNDATION CENTER DIRECTORY ONLINE***

The Foundation Center is an independent nonprofit information clearinghouse that disseminates information on grants, foundations and corporate giving. As such, the Center does not make grants, but can provide information on available grants and training on proposal writing.

Use the Foundation Center's Directory Online (subscription only) to search for grants, loans, and scholarships from private foundations.

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Foundation Center and other books related to fund-raising may be available in your local library.

College and university libraries are another possible source of Foundation Center information.

To contact Foundation Center directly, visit [foundationcenter.org/newyork](http://foundationcenter.org/newyork) for information on grant makers and foundations. Visit <http://grantspace.org/tools/knowledge-base> to get started.

The Foundation Center  
32 Old Slip, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10005-3500  
Phone: 212-620-4230

**Discovery Place Resource Center** at the Conference Center also has a few resources related to finding funding and writing funding proposals.