

**SUSQUEHANNA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
PEACE WITH JUSTICE GRANT APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

Purpose and Priorities for Funding

Financial grants are offered to agencies, local churches and community organizations located within the boundaries of the Susquehanna Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church seeking to minister in the areas of peace and justice. Projects addressing the following areas will receive higher priority: 1. Response to War and Root Causes of War, 2. Global and Local Disparity Between the Rich and the Poor, and 3. Interfaith and Community Coalitions for Peace and Justice. These grants may be made either to support ongoing programming or as “seed money” for new projects meeting needs not previously developed. Special consideration will be given to funding new projects.

Source of Funds

One half of all funds received by United Methodist churches within the Susquehanna Annual Conference from the annual Peace with Justice Sunday offering are allocated to the Susquehanna Annual Conference. These funds are used to provide grants for local projects in addition to providing training and resources to aid conference and local church Peace with Justice efforts. Peace with Justice Grants given out will not exceed \$1,000. to any one ministry.

Application Procedure

Grant applications may be submitted at any time with decisions to be made soon after applications are received. Applications, as received, will be distributed immediately to all members of the Board of Church and Society for review. Decisions on funding will be based on a majority vote of those members of the Conference Board of Church & Society.

Guidelines for Funding

There shall be a clearly demonstrated need. When appropriate, the grant proposal shall show evidence of long-range planning for the project with priorities, goals, realistic time line, and measurable objectives in evidence. The grant proposal should contain a detailed budget for the project and, if this is an ongoing project, the budget must contain plans for future funding. Funds granted by the Church and Society Board do not necessarily commit the Board to ongoing funding of any project or activity. This limitation, however, does not preclude the Board from considering repeat applications from previously funded agencies, local churches and community organizations.

****Please direct any questions and/or comments to:**

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Date Submitted:

Title of Program:

Dollar Amount Requested (*not to exceed \$1,000.*):

Brief Program/Project Description (250 words of less):

Prepare the following, to be one page a piece.

- a. Purpose of the project/ project description
- b. Project Budget

Attach proposal narrative not to exceed three pages which addresses at minimum:

- a. Justice/Advocacy issue(s) addressed by the project
- b. How grant money will help the project
- c. Description of the project leaders
- D. Plan for evaluation
- E. Sustainability of project

Criteria: Which of the Peace with Justice objectives does this project address? (Check one or more.)

Understanding and responding to violence and militarism and moving to reconciliation

Involve and develop leaders among United Methodists and the general public

Promote just policies to address poverty and restore communities

Support policies that promote economic justice and self-development

Agency, local church, community organization or individual requesting the grant:

Name:

Phone:

e-mail:

Address:

Fiscal Agent (how the check should be addressed):

Name of Contact Person(s):

Phone:

e-mail:

Address:

How did you hear about the SUSUMC Peace with Justice Grant?

Return this form to:

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