

2019 APPLICATION FOR FUNDS FROM NORTHEAST DISTRICT ASKING

Ministry to be funded needs to focus on community outreach, especially to the marginalized. Churches are expected to be partners in the funding. Examples may include food ministries, reaching new populations, technology upgrade, and capital improvements that would facilitate new ministries.

\*Please address in the project description how your project addresses the Iowa Annual Conference strategic priority to establish new communities of faith or to increase vitality in an existing community of faith. (For the complete text of the Strategic Priorities, see

<http://www.iaumc.org/strategicpriorities> )

\*All applications must be typed. No handwritten applications will be accepted.

\*No funding for salaries. Funding salaries implies long term commitment requiring resources that we simply do not have.

\*Recipients are expected to submit six-month and one-year progress reports for future application consideration.

Basic Information

Project/Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Person(s) Submitting Application:

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Check: \_\_\_\_\_ New Project \_\_\_\_\_ "Revitalization" Project (a project or program that will stimulate "new life" in the church's mission).



Funding Needs:

1. What is the total budget for the project or program? \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Please attach a detailed budget for the project.
2. Funds currently on hand for the project or program. \$ \_\_\_\_\_
3. Have you done a financial pledge campaign within the congregation?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  
If "yes," how much has been pledged? \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
If "no," is a pledge campaign planned? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No
4. What is the total amount of your request? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Did your church pay it apportionments in 2018? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No
6. Has your church received a NE District Askings Grant in the past 2 years?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If "Yes," was that grant for the same project? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No.

If you have received a previous district grant for this project, please summarize briefly (1-2 paragraphs) your progress to date.

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Please submit this typed application by Friday, February 15, 2019 to:  
Northeast District Office, 2302 W. 1<sup>st</sup> St, Suite 2, Cedar Falls, IA 50613; or you can e-mail: [karen.wersinger@iaumc.org](mailto:karen.wersinger@iaumc.org). Thank you.

**2019 NE District Ministry Grant Application Guidelines and  
FAQs**

**Please note deadline this year: Friday, Feb. 15, 2019**

Ministry to be funded needs to focus on community outreach and connecting with people beyond church members. Churches are expected to be partners in the funding. Examples may include food ministries, reaching new populations, technology upgrades, and capital improvements that would facilitate new ministries.

Applications will be evaluated on how well they address one or more of the mission, vision, and strategic priorities of the Iowa Annual Conference.

1. How will this project increase the vitality and community outreach of an existing local church or ministry?
2. How will this project help create a new community of faith?
3. How will this project enlist and develop Christian leaders?
4. How will the applicant align its resources with other partners (other churches, United Methodist boards and agencies, or community resources) to accomplish this project?

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\*All applications must be typed. No handwritten applications will be accepted. Please do not use folders or report covers. Any photos, estimates, or supporting documents must be included in the application document in electronic form. Applications are shared with the Grants Committee via email or Dropbox.

\*Please limit your application to one project.

\*No funding for salaries. Funding salaries implies long term commitment requiring resources that we simply do not have.

\*Recipients are expected to submit year-end progress reports for future application consideration.

FAQs:

1. *Can we apply for these grants for building projects?*

Yes, provided your project meets the other criteria listed above. Local churches are expected to take care of ongoing maintenance and repair of their buildings. Large projects are beyond the scope of these grants. Capital projects designed to enable new ministries, expand existing ministries, or include new or marginalized people will be considered.

2. *How much should we apply for?*

In recent years awards have ranged from \$900-\$7500. The average is between \$3000-\$4000. The amount available depends on payment of voluntary district askings.

3. *Where does the money come from for these grants?*

NE District Ministry Grants are made possible by voluntary District Askings paid by local congregations in the district.

4. *Do we have to pay our apportionments to apply for a Ministry Grant?* The short answer is no, however payment of apportionments is a factor in the evaluation process. If your church has not paid apportionments in full, it is helpful for you to briefly indicate what progress you are making toward full payment.

5. *How often can we apply?*

You may apply annually, however preference will be given to new projects and first-time applicants.

6. *Will we receive a form for the year-end evaluation?*

NO. This report will be on the NE District web page (<https://northeast.iaumc.org/> ) IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to SUBMIT THE REPORT ON TIME. We will not send additional reminders. Reports should be emailed to [karen.wersinger@iaumc.org](mailto:karen.wersinger@iaumc.org) or mailed to NE District Office, 2302 W. 1<sup>st</sup> St, Suite 2, Cedar Falls, IA 50613.