

Covenant Association
Michigan Conference United Church of Christ
Christian Education & Youth Ministry Grant

Purpose of these funds – to support Christian education and youth ministry endeavors of local churches

Criteria & Policy Guidelines

Examples of financial allocations (including but not limited to):

1. Christian Education materials and resources (for any or all ages).
2. Books and materials that promote faith formation.
3. Youth ministry programs that promote personal growth & self-esteem, faith development, community-building, and development of life-skills.
4. Confirmation materials and resources.
5. Intergenerational programs and projects.
6. Support for youth engagement at Association, Conference or National setting events.
7. Interfaith studies and engagement

Grant Eligibility

1. Member churches of the Covenant Association
2. Preference given to first-time applicants
3. Grants awarded based on need, merit and funds available at time of application.
4. Requested funds must meet approved allocations for use and:
 - a. Must be consistent with the biblical and theological principles and vision of the Covenant Association, Michigan Conference and United Church of Christ
 - b. Requests should be linked with Christian education and/or youth ministry.
 - c. Recipients are expected to provide a written report regarding the impact of funding, by the end of the fiscal year in which the funds are disbursed (Dec. 31).

How to Apply:

1. Complete the Christian Education & Youth Ministry grant application (pages 2 & 3 of this document)
2. Deadline for applications: by 15th of the month
3. Return application to:
 - a. Christian Education & Youth Ministry Team member
 - i. Sasha Graves-Gaskin sashak.gaskin@gmail.com
 - ii. Eric Stricklin eric.m.stricklin@gmail.com
 - b. Copy to Keith Koebel, Treasurer
 - i. Email: lkoebelucc@yahoo.com
 - ii. Mailing address: 7662 El Cajon Ln, Jackson, MI 49201

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Date: _____

Name of Church: _____

Address: _____

Name of Contact Person: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

1. Briefly explain the proposed use of the grant funds

2. What is the anticipated impact of this proposal, for your church and/or community?

3. Financial details (maximum award is \$600-1,000)

a. Amount requested \$ _____

b. Please provide a detailed budget for the proposed program/project.

c. Please explain any additional financial sources and funding received, pledged, and/or applied for apart from this grant request.

4. Is this the first time you have applied for a Christian Education & Youth Ministry Grant?

a. Yes No

b. If no, please provide details of your previous proposals and their outcomes.

5. Please add any additional information or comments that would be helpful to the Covenant Association Executive Team.