GRANT CRITERIA AND EXPECTATIONS

Recipient Expectations

All grant recipients will need to submit a report to the Ohio Conference Ministry Development Team detailing how the grant funding was used and how the funding affected the outcome of the project or program.

All grant recipients should be willing to make a brief presentation about the grant to delegates at the Ohio Conference Annual Conference Assembly. Typically, between three and six grant recipients are asked to speak to delegates at Annual Conference Assembly each year.

Grant Criteria

The Ministry Development Team is accepting proposals from Conference congregations and related organizations for projects and mission initiatives. The following criteria will be used in reviewing the applications:

•Does this proposal fit with the Conference priorities of worship, faith and witness?

- Our passionate worship flows from our confession of God as Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.
- We have a vibrant faith in God as Lord of all, who is at work reconciling the world.
- Through our bold witness others will accept Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, and will build peace with all humankind.

•Does this project respond to the priorities identified by the delegates at ACA 2012?

- Start-up ministries/ new initiatives
- Community outreach
- Revitalization of a congregation
- Church planting
- Implementing the Purposeful Plan
- Focus on children or youth ministry
- Resources for marriages and/or parenting

•Is this proposal a collaborative effort among Ohio Conference congregations and/or related organizations?

Priority will be given to projects that are new initiatives or projects that could not be carried out without the grant funding. Please note that this is a one-time grant. Grant monies are not intended to be used for staffing.