

CREATIVE MINISTRIES GRANT



The Creative Ministries grant is a one-year grant open to all churches. The application should reflect a creative mission proposal, for which has not been previously budgeted.

Funds available are the total of the budgeted amount of \$10,000 and half of the offering of each of the four stated presbytery meetings: May 2022, August 2022, November 2022, and February 2023. Across time, grants will be awarded in the three geographical regions of the John Calvin Presbytery. No grant application should exceed the total amount available.

The estimated amount for the 2023 Creative Ministry Grant is \$11,220.

The application should be accompanied by a copy of the minutes where the mission project was approved by the Session and signed by the clerk.

Timeline: Application should be received by September 15, 2023, and the grants awarded in November.

Creative Ministry Grant recipients should expect to participate in the creation of a “project story” that can be shared on the JCP website. The hope is that by sharing the story, others can benefit by example. JCP, in order to encourage creativity, will seriously and prayerfully consider any applications that come forward. Within two months of the completion of the mission program, a report shall be submitted detailing the numbers of individuals involved (church congregation(s) and community), total monies spent, and a subjective evaluation of the mission project.

Once received by the presbytery office, proposals shall be reviewed and considered by the Grants Committee.

The Grants Committee will select recipients based on consideration of the following:

- Appropriateness of project within the scope of presbytery mission.
- Rationale of funds requested with regard to projected outcome.
- Potential benefit to larger church.
- Clear, specific and complete planning including means of evaluation.

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Church name and city:

Total cost of project:

Amount provided by church:

Amount from other sources:

Amount requested from JCP:

Please paint a clear picture of your project, including the following in your request for funding:

- Name of responsible party and all relevant contact information, including any partners in the initiative.
- Please provide a description of what the successful outcome of the initiative will be including planned goals and objectives. Be sure to include a timeline.
- What new concepts and skills will you need to ensure success of this initiative?
- Please include planned income and expenses. Include funding sources (i.e., community funds, Synod Grant, and/or any additional means of financial support)
- Please include documentation of Session endorsement.
- Finally, please share any additional information you feel we should know but have not specifically addressed.

Submit this request with all pertinent information to:

Rachel Holcomb, Communication and Information Assistant: cia@jcpresbytery.com

Cc: Malinda Spencer, Executive Presbytery: m Spencer@jcpresbytery.com

General Council will make the final decision.