

Grant Application

Heartland District Emerging Ministries 2011

Just a note to remind you the Heartland District Leadership Team will review grants for Emerging Ministries on a quarterly basis and we invite the churches of our District to apply if you have a new or potential ministry that needs funding. In the past the Emerging Ministries have assisted churches to set up children's programs, purchase multimedia equipment, and take on food pantries. The Leadership Team reviews grants and will receive applications e-mailed or sent to the District office. Many new ministries have "emerged" with the help of the grants and blessed people throughout the Heartland District. The Leadership Team praises the ministries that have helped build the kingdom of God, and encourage you to apply.

Heartland District Emerging Ministries Policy:

The purpose of the Heartland District Emerging Ministries Grants is to encourage and enable local churches in the Heartland District to develop new ministries of discipleship and evangelism as they seek to be faithful to God's calling. The fund is supported by the Heartland District apportionment and is administered by the Heartland District Leadership Team.

The Leadership Team's goal is for the grants to be used as seed money to encourage the development of innovative ministries in local churches that make a difference throughout the Heartland District. Ministries funded by the Emerging Ministries Grants are requested to be new ministries which will be ongoing and benefit a group of people. In most cases, the District Leadership Team funds a maximum of 25% of the request.

Churches are limited to one submission annually. The requests must be approved at the local level by the appropriate Council or Board (i.e. Administrative or Church Council, The Board of Trustees). The District Leadership Team will review the requests quarterly. A representative of the District Leadership Team will contact the applicants in regards to the status of their request.

The District Leadership Team encourages updates from churches who have received grants, celebrating the blessing of God's work through the ministries funded by the Emerging Ministries grants. We celebrate many ways local churches in our district have benefited from the Emerging Ministry Grants.

REQUEST FORM
Emerging Ministry Fund
Heartland District, West Michigan Conference

Date of Request:

Name of requesting church or individual:

Describe the purpose of this request:

(you may also attach other documents as needed)

Total Cost of your project: \$

Amounts and other sources of funding for your project:

Has this project been discussed and approved by the appropriate committee within your church (or district agency)? Yes No *(circle one)*

(signature of requestor)

(signature of pastor)

Address:

Day Time Phone:

Night Time:

The Leadership Council will consider requests quarterly. This is a change from previous practices.

*Please send all requests to: Heartland District of The United Methodist Church,
1400 S. Washington St., Suite A, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858*