

Grant Application: Revitalizing and Starting Churches

Through financial assistance and prayers, Classis Grand Rapids East offers to assist congregations of classis that desire to seek new vitality in their own church or to plant a new church.

GENERAL CRITERIA FOR GRANT FUNDING

Note: These general criteria are supplemented by grant-specific criteria of the ministry teams.

1. All grants from Classis Grand Rapids East (hereafter Classis) are to align with its values and priorities and help fulfill its mission.
2. Classis grants are designed to support new ministry initiatives, training needs, and other ministry opportunities.
3. Classis grants are intended to help develop self-sustaining ministry through broader partnership and support (rather than long-term funding by Classis).
4. Classis grants require meaningful partnership and accountability with the appropriate ministry team of Classis and, ordinarily, with one or more member congregations.
5. Grant amounts are finalized by recommendation of the ministry team, endorsement of the ministry plan team, and approval of the executive team.
6. Grant recipients are to report to and be reviewed by the appropriate ministry team at least annually.
7. Actual payment of approved grants will be contingent on available funds.

This proposal for an R and S grant is due on October 15, 2011. Quarterly grant installments for approved programs will commence in May 2012 (after the beginning of the fiscal year beginning Feb 2012).

Church name:

Contact person's name:

Contact person's email address:

Contact person's telephone number:

Project name:

Total annual cost of the project:

Amount of grant being requested:

Annual budget of the congregation:

In your opinion, what characterizes a vital, healthy congregation? (50 word maximum)

Describe the project: (50 word maximum)

How will this project help create life and vitality in your congregation? (50 word maximum)

What broad strategies will the project use to achieve the described change? (50 word maximum)

List the specific actions that will be taken by the project to implement the strategies and achieve the expected result. Who will do each action and when will it occur? (Email additional actions if necessary.)

WHAT ACTION

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List specific expenses of the project: (or email a budget):

What commitments (funding or otherwise) are being made by the congregation to this project? (50 word maximum)

What commitments (funding or otherwise) are being made by outside entities to this project? (50 word maximum)

What happens to the project if only a portion of the project request is granted?

Please email the proposal in an attached Word document to the Classis East Revitalizing and Starting New Churches Team at: RandSChurches@classisgreast.org .

Thank you! Classis Revitalizing and Starting Churches Team