

ENDURING WITNESS FUND Reconciliation Grant Application Cover Sheet

Date of Request: ____/___/____

Amount Requested: \$_____

REQUESTOR INFORMATION

Last Name	First Name	
Name of Member Church		
Address		Apt #
City	State	Zip
Phone	Email	
Make grant payable to:		
_	Full Name of Individual or Congr	regation
-	Street Address	
-	City State Zip Code	
Requestor Signature:	Requestor Title	e:
	Please return complete application to:	
	Enduring Witness Grant	

Enduring Witness Grant

Presbytery of Baltimore

5400 Loch Raven Blvd.

Baltimore, MD 21239

Or email to:

ewgrant@baltimorepresbytery.org

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Authorized Signature:		Date:	_/	/	Approved	Not Approved
Comments:						



Presbytery of Baltimore Community Engagement Grant Application Enduring Witness Fund 2019

The application deadline is July 1, 2019. Grants to be awarded in September 2019.

<u>Purpose</u>

Community Engagement grants are directed for community outreach, more specifically for community organizing and community engagement by congregations in the Presbytery of Baltimore. There is \$25,000 total available for 2019 to be awarded by the Commission on Reconciliation. The grants will be awarded up to \$7,500 per applicant.

- Faith-based community organizing is the way a congregation partners with its local community to work for change/transformation, together. It involves *deep listening and leadership development to move toward joint action*. This is a specific form of community engagement which is built on relational meetings, power analysis, action and evaluation.
- Community engagement is a broader term to reflect ways in which a local congregation works collaboratively with and through groups of people affiliated by geographic proximity, common interest, or similar situations to address issues affecting the well-being of the community members.

Use of Funds

- Funding may be requested for new initiatives or to strengthen current community organizing and community engagement activities. Funds, therefore, may be used for training or mentoring activities in addition to expenses incurred in direct engagement.
- Grants will be awarded on an annual basis. However, applicants will be allowed to apply for additional funding in subsequent years.

General Guidelines

- Congregations should use the attached application form with the appropriate signatures and date of Session endorsement.
- A point person should be designated who is able to speak about the proposal and answer any follow up questions.
- Questions about the grant application process may be directed to Lisa Beacham (chair) at <u>beacham.la@gmail.com</u> or Susan Krehbiel (staff) at <u>skrehbiel@baltimorepresbytery.org</u>

You may submit your completed application via email to: <u>skrehbiel@baltimorepresbytery.org</u> or by mail/in person to: Susan Krehbiel, Presbytery of Baltimore, 5400 Loch Raven Blvd., 3rd Floor, Baltimore, MD 21239

Grant forms will be available on the Presbytery website: <u>http://www.baltimorepresbytery.org/</u>

PRESBYTERY OF BALTIMORE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT GRANT APPLICATION FORM – 2019 Deadline: July 1 2019

Evaluation Criteria

- Engages the community that is geographically proximate to the applicant congregation
- Is intentional in building relationships between members of the congregation and members of the local community outside the congregation.
- Demonstrates an approach of "working with" the community, not doing something "for" or "to" the community.
- Issues or needs identified are for the sake of the community.
- Embraces the work of reconciliation through efforts to dismantle racism, alleviate suffering and/or bear public witness to the reconciling love of Christ.

Name of Congregation:	
Contact Person Information:	
Name	
Position or Role with Congregation (pastor/ruling elder/deacon/other)	
Telephone Number:	
Email Address:	
Date of Session approval:	

1. What is the Community Engagement or Community Organizing effort for which you would like funding? What do you hope to accomplish?

2.	How much is your church requesting?	\$	(up to \$7,500)
		Dollar amount	

3. Please describe the expenses to be covered by the grant and attach a budget of projected expenses and any other anticipated sources of funding for this effort. An optional budget worksheet is included in the packet.

4. Describe the current context for this effort and if it is new or on-going.

5. Please describe the community you intend to reach and where they are located in relationship to your church.

6. Please describe your basic approach to establishing and/or deepening the relationship with the community described. (You may wish to refer to the evaluation criteria at the top of the application.)

- 7. As a grant recipient of the Commission on Reconciliation, please consider how your community engagement furthers the goals of the Commission. How does your proposed ministry **work toward reconciliation** overall and, in particular, how does it seek to address any of the following? (check all that apply)
 - _____ to dismantle racism,
 - _____ to alleviate suffering
 - _____ to bear public witness to the reconciling love of Christ

Please explain:

- 8. How will you determine if you are successful? (Based on what you answered in Q.#1)
- 9. How will you document the experiences and learnings (meeting notes, photos, video, social media, other)?

Applicant's Signature, Name & Date

Clerk of Session's Signature, Name & Date

SAMPLE BUDGET WORKSHEET

Proposed Budget	
Congregation:	
<u>Funding</u>	Amount
Amount Requested in application	
Other:	
Total anticipated funds for this effort	
Expenses (by category)	
Total anticipated expenses for this effort	
Difference	

Please include an explanation for each of the expenses in section 3 of the application form.