

STATEMENT OF PRIORITIES

Mission Partnership Funding
The Presbytery of Eastern Oregon

The Presbytery of Eastern Oregon will attempt to balance the funding needs of the congregations and other mission entities. Emerging needs and opportunities, as well as historical patterns, will be considered as we strive to serve Christ.

Applications for mission funding will be judged according to these mission priorities.

This is a general prioritization of needs:

- A. The needs and opportunities of congregational mission and ministry. Specific priority will be given to projects that address the Matthew 25 priorities of vitality, systematic poverty, and systematic racism.
- B. The programmatic needs of the presbytery (such as youth, CLP and elder training, development, committee work and programs).
- C. The needs and opportunities of other mission entities.

These are grant funding general guidelines:

1. Funding requests for new projects shall have higher priority than requests for ongoing funding.
2. Grants will only be considered if applications are timely and complete; ongoing grants must be submitted annually and will be considered if previous years' funding and current available reserves are adequately reported.
3. Capital improvements are not eligible for Mission Partnership grants.
4. We evaluate all applications and, if necessary, adjust requests to fit financial needs and availability of funds.
5. Salary support for pastoral situations will generally only apply for situations in development, i.e. as seed money for a limited time. Other salaries will generally not be funded.
6. Grants will ordinarily be funded for a maximum period of five (5) years with the expectation that the requests and granted funds will be reduced in each subsequent year following the first application. The (5) five years need not be consecutive but do apply to each program funded by a grant as does the expectation of a declining trend over time.

A completed application includes:

1. The application form.
2. The current project budget.
3. A previous year's year-end statement and a current year's budget from the requesting organization.
4. The proposal must be completed and received by: September 15, 2023. (for 2024 funds).

Send completed application to: EOP Mission/Program and Peacemaking Committee, electronically to eopfamily@gmail.com Subject line: **"Mission Grant Application"**