

Application guidelines

This form is designed to help Congregations or Clusters in South Moreton Presbytery to apply for special funding for mission initiatives. A separate information sheet explains the purpose and conditions of the available funding. Please read that in conjunction with these guidelines.

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS

Save for exceptional circumstances, funding under this scheme:

- will not be given for costs relating to buildings and equipment;
- will not be given to help maintain existing ministry placements;
- will not equal or exceed 50% of the project cost;
- will not exceed three years (on a reducing scale each year, and conditional upon satisfactory reporting being made to Presbytery each year).

HOW TO APPLY

There is no application form. You are welcome to craft the application as best suits your proposal. However, your application will need to address the following issues specifically and clearly:

1. THE NATURE OF THE PROJECT

- Give a clear summary of what the project is, and what it will involve.

2. MISSION OUTCOMES

- Clearly state the intended mission outcomes of the project, and how you will assess your effectiveness.
- Show how the project contributes to your Congregation's or Cluster's broader mission goals and priorities.
- Show how the project relates to the Presbytery's ministry and mission priorities.

3. MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT

- Outline the proposed leadership or oversight team, and its skills and experience relevant to the project.
- Give an implementation plan, showing how you intend to establish and develop the project and the various stages involved.
- Explain what administrative support, if required, will be provided.

4. FINANCE

- Provide a detailed funding plan for the project (income and expenditure), indicating clearly the amount being requested in this application.
- If Presbytery funding is being sought for longer than one year, explain how the income and/or expenditures will change over time to accommodate the declining amount of Presbytery funding.
- Explain how you plan to transition the project to longer-term sustainability beyond the term of Presbytery funding. (In most cases, a commitment to conducting a stewardship

program in the Congregation or Cluster during the course of the project funding would be expected as one of the strategies.)

WHAT ELSE TO SUBMIT

The proposal should be signed and dated by the Chairperson of the Church Council (or each Church Council, where a project is proposed by a Cluster), and the ministry agent/s in placement.

Your application should have a covering letter from the Secretary of the Church Council (or each Church Council, where a project is proposed by a Cluster), indicating that a Council meeting has approved the project and the application as submitted.

WHEN TO APPLY

Project proposals will be considered in three rounds per year. The application deadlines are:

- March 1;
- July 1;
- October 1.

Applications which do not receive funding approval in one round may be held over until a following round.

WHERE TO APPLY

Please submit applications to:

Funding for Mission Initiatives
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