

Mission Travel Grant

*A grant designed to extend the peace of Christ
at home and across the world*

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*The ministry of the Synod of the Trinity is guided by our ends. Key to the Mission Travel Grants are two of our secondary ends:
“Nurturing relationships within the larger church for the purpose of greater witness” and “Fostering conversation and action for the promotion of social righteousness.”*



Grant Description

A short-term mission trip is an exciting, engaging experience in which faith is put into action by partnering with brothers and sisters from different cultures and life experiences. For us, such travel represents a special kind of experience, one that can influence a participant for life! In order to assist as many groups as possible, and to ensure consistency of awards, the following guidelines have been developed for Mission Travel Grants:

1. For mission trips within the bounds of the USA, a range of \$50-\$100 per participant with a cap of \$2,000 for any one trip.
2. For mission trips outside the USA, a range of \$100-\$350 per participant with a cap of \$4,000 for any one trip.
3. To help congregations or individuals who may not otherwise have access to these opportunities, additional funding MAY be offered for mission trips open to multiple congregations.
4. Preference will be given to first-time applicants and applicants within presbyteries that have not been awarded a Mission Travel Grant during the past two years.

**An entity may only apply for one Synod grant per calendar year.
Please choose carefully as you consider your application.**



DEADLINES FOR THIS GRANT'S APPLICATION

February 1: Funding decisions will be made by March 1

May 1: Funding decisions will be made by June 1

October 1: Funding decisions will be made by November 1

MISSION TRAVEL GRANT

APPLICATION FORM

Please complete this fillable form by downloading it to your desktop, sign (electronically or print and sign) and email it to grants@syntrinity.org.

You are encouraged to contact Elizabeth Connelly at 717-737-0421 if you have questions.

For Office Use Only:

Date Received _____

Date Reviewed _____

Date Notification _____

Yr _____ Type _____ App# _____

Amount Awarded _____

GRANT APPLICANT'S INFORMATION

Please list the name and contact information of the person responsible for answering any questions we may have regarding the grant application. Make sure you list a phone number where that person can be easily reached and an email address that is checked regularly. Thank you!

Primary Contact's First and Last Name

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Email Address

Home Phone

Cell Phone

AFFILIATION INFORMATION

Please list the information for the PC(USA) church and presbytery where the group has membership.

Congregation, Presbytery
or Organization

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Pastor's Name

Pastor's Email

Phone

Presbytery Affiliation

MISSION TRIP INFORMATION

Brief Description

Location

Start Date

Finish Date

Are there other organizations involved here or abroad?

YES

NO

If yes, please list them here. Use the back of the form if you run out of space.

PARTICIPANTS

Please list the names of all participants in your group. List the names of their congregations where applicable. If needed, use the back of the form.

If this mission travel is part of an ongoing partnership, please give a brief history/timeline of what has been accomplished and describe how this relationship has grown or changed.

Please give us a description of the planned experience and how you will equip your participants for the ministry and mission work in a potentially different culture or context.

Please describe the expected outcomes and goals for this mission trip.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

As the requesting party (applicant), please list for us how this experience is being funded. Then list the total cost to participate in the experience. If you fill this in on screen, the boxes will automatically calculate and provide the totals for each category.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Total Participant(s) Contribution

Total Congregational Contribution(s)

Total Presbytery Contribution(s)

Total Other Contributions - List Detail

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS

EXPENSES

Total Travel/Housing/Meals Expenses

Total Materials Expenses

Total Other Expenses - List Detail

Total Other Expenses - List Detail

TOTAL EXPENSES

TOTAL GRANT AMOUNT REQUESTED

GRANT CHECK

Please list the name and address of the organization to which the check should be mailed. **THE CHECK CANNOT BE MADE OUT TO AN INDIVIDUAL. IT MUST BE MADE OUT AND MAILED TO AN ORGANIZATION.**

Organization Name

Street or P.O. Box

City

State

Zip

SIGNATURES

We require documentation that your application has been reviewed by your member PC(USA) church's Clerk of Session and your presbytery's executive presbyter or stated clerk.

PC(USA) CHURCH SESSION (If Applicable)

Church Name

Date Reviewed

Clerk of Session Name

Signature _____

PRESBYTERY CONFIRMATION

I verify that the presbytery leadership has been apprised of the application for this grant and has had the opportunity to review this document.

Presbytery Name

Date Reviewed

Name & Title

Signature _____

Executive Presbyter or Stated Clerk

APPLICANT

Please have the person who has filled out this form sign below.

Applicant's Name

Signature _____

Date Signed

Email completed grant applications to grants@syntrinity.org.

NOTE: Once you have signed this form electronically, you cannot go back and make changes!

POST-EXPERIENCE EVALUATION QUESTIONS

The Synod of the Trinity would like a review of your experience upon your return. Please answer the following questions and return your response, with photos if available, to Communications Coordinator Mike Givler at mgivler@syntrinity.org within 90 days of your return.

This grant has been primarily identified as a response to two of the Synod's secondary ends: *"Nurturing relationships within the larger church for the purpose of greater witness"* and *"Fostering conversation and action for the promotion of social righteousness."*

2. In what way did this experience either nurture relationships within the greater church or promote social righteousness?
3. In what way has your understanding of the gospel been changed by this work?
4. If you were to take this work to a next step, what would that look like?

How did you or will you share your project and learnings with your home church, your community, your presbytery and your Synod?