

**Synod of the Trinity
Fit-for-the-Future Grants
Application Form**

***A grant designed to help presbyteries prepare,
for the changing needs of ministry
both now and in the near future.***

*The ministry of the Synod of the Trinity is guided by our ends.
Key to the Future Fitness Grant is the second of the secondary ends:
Encouraging innovation in, between and among presbyteries
through the use of human, programmatic and financial resources.*



GRANT DESCRIPTION:

The purpose of the Fit-for-the-Future Grant is to encourage presbyteries to take concrete steps toward missional and/or ecclesiastical changes that will position them for continued ministry effectiveness over the next ten years. This purpose may be understood across four dimensions:

- addressing the common liminal season in the life of the church;
- finding new ways to do ministry;
- rebuilding presbytery structures to address new circumstances; and
- sparking possibilities in places that have previously been stuck.

DEFINED TERM OF GRANT:

January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026, covering the period from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2026.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Applications may be submitted only once the following items are complete and arranged in the order below. Partial applications will not be considered.

- Applicant Information Sheet
- Proposal/Narrative
- Detailed Budget
- Copy of Presbytery's Current Budget
- Signature Page

PROPOSAL/NARRATIVE GUIDELINES:

Proposals should be no longer than six pages, double spaced and must address all components detailed below.

- What is the objective of your proposal and how does it speak to one or more of the four dimensions below:
 - addressing the common liminal season in the life of the church;
 - finding new ways to do ministry;
 - rebuilding presbytery structures to address new circumstances; and
 - sparking possibilities in places that have previously been stuck.
- Illustrate the steps that will be taken to bring this proposal to life and what human resources will be needed to do so successfully. Are these resources in place and committed to participating?
- Project timeline
- In considering the next ten years from a more granular perspective, how does this position the ministry for continued effectiveness?
- What measurements will be used to determine the success of the proposed work? Please provide two or more concrete measurables.
- Is this work self-sustainable? Or does it provide a one-time jumpstart for sustainable ministry effectiveness, or an undercurrent of momentum for a longer period of time? How does it contribute to the sustainability of effective ministry over the next ten years?
- How would this work serve as a model for other presbyteries or organizations?

APPLICANT INFORMATION SHEET

Project Leader (EP, or Stated Clerk)

First and last name of contact:

Street address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Email:

PC(USA) Presbytery

Name of Presbytery:

Street address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Email:

Project Information

Name of Project:

Anticipated Start Date:

Anticipated Finish Date:

Anticipated number of Participants:

If more than one presbytery is involved, please provide their contact below:

PC(USA) Presbytery

Name of Presbytery:

Contact Name:

Street address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Email:

PC(USA) Presbytery

Name of Presbytery:

Contact Name:

Street address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Email:

SIGNATURE PAGE

If more than one presbytery is involved, a signature page must be completed by each and submitted with the application.

Executive Presbyter Name (typed): _____

Executive Presbyter Signature: _____

Date: _____

Stated Clerk Name (typed): _____

Stated Clerk Signature: _____

Date: _____

Fit for the Future Grant Project Budget

Note: when entering dollar amounts, please DO NOT use commas as they corrupt the formulas in the budget.

Total Funding Request:	\$	← <u>Note:</u> If requesting reimbursement(s) for expenditures incurred prior to the application submission date, all receipts must be provided.	
Project Name:			
Group or Organization Name			
Budget Contact Person:		Contact Phone Number:	

Budget Items	Total Cost of each item	Amount requested from other source(s) for each item	Please advise if you receive cash or in-kind support for any of the items and from whom/what organization.	
			Amount (cash or in-kind)	Source of funding (confirmed "c" or unconfirmed "u")
Grand Total				

If you have any additional notes you would like to include, please do so in the space below or via e-mail to grants@syntrinity.org

Budget notes: