

Call for applications: SERVE Grants for mission projects

The Serve Committee is glad to announce the opening of applications for the 2024 Mission Presbytery SERVE Grants initiative! This is an incredible opportunity for congregations and partnering organizations to secure funding for mission projects that have the potential to make a lasting impact in our region and beyond.

Because we believe that Christ calls the church to minister to those who are poor, hungry, despairing, oppressed or suffering from injustice, and because we affirm that sharing in mission work with others is an appropriate witness to God's grace and that the Spirit summons Christians to be involved in mission, not only with financial resources but also with love, mercy, compassion, and justice, these grant monies are aimed at equipping programs or projects worthy of the participation and support of our member congregations and their partners.

The Mission Presbytery SERVE Grants Initiative seeks to fund projects across a broad range of needs, including but not limited to:

- Housing and Food Insecurity
- Camp Ministry
- Sustainability and Environmental
- Mental Health Ministry
- Education and Life-Skills Development
- Social Justice and Equality
- Arts and Culture

If your project falls within the broad range of mission, we invite you to apply. The grants will be awarded based on various criteria, including the potential impact, feasibility, sustainability, and alignment with our mission and values.

To apply, please visit our website at

https://www.mission-presbytery.org/serve-committee or under the Resources tab then the Document Library tab. Download and complete the application form. Please email your application form to Rev. Patrick Dennis at pdennis_1@hotmail.com.

<u>The application deadline is September 13, 2024</u>. The Serve Committee will review all applications carefully and select the projects to be awarded the grants. The General Council will have final approval. Awards will be announced at the October 18-19, 2024, Mission Presbytery Meeting in Brownsville.

If you have any questions or need further information about the Mission Presbytery SERVE Grants program or the application process, please don't hesitate to reach out to Patrick Dennis at pdennis_1@hotmail.com.