



Nebraska United Methodist Foundation

DEAN & KEITHA THOMSON MISSION GRANT Guidelines and Criteria

It is the mission of the Nebraska United Methodist Foundation (“Foundation”) to be a catalyst that strengthens existing mission ministries and supports and develops innovative mission ministries meeting the needs of a diverse and rapidly changing society.

Mission Grant applicants should be aware that priority will be given to the following:

- A United Methodist associated entity or individual who is in need of funding for mission work.
- Mission work may be located locally, nationally or internationally with a focus on Global Health, including but not limited to Medical Needs, or Disaster and Recovery Efforts.
- The mission work is deemed to be of a beneficial nature to the larger community and is an integral part of a long-range plan for growth and outreach.

Grants will be awarded on an annual basis. Grant applications must be received no later than **APRIL 1st** to be considered for a grant to be awarded for mission work occurring during the course of the following year (12 months). In the case of mission work for Disaster and Recovery Efforts, if an emergency grant is needed, the Foundation staff members, in consultation with the Stewardship Committee, have the right to award a grant in extenuating circumstances immediately. This emergency funding will not affect the integrity of the fund and can be supplemented with the NUMF “Gifts From The Heart – Mission Endowment Fund.”

Grants approved by the Foundation’s Stewardship Committee are subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the Foundation. The Foundation reserves the right to reject in whole or in part any grant application that it deems to be incomplete or not in accordance with the mission and policies set forth by the Foundation. The decision of the Board of Directors of the Foundation regarding all awards shall be final.

Grants may be renewable up to three years within a five-year period contingent upon the availability of funding sources and the quality and scope of the mission work. It is not guaranteed that grants will be awarded the full amount of the request. All grant recipients will be required to provide a summary of how the funds were used in order to be considered for a subsequent grant. **If a second or third application is received without a summary page of how the funds were used previously, the applicant will not be considered.**

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