



California-Pacific Conference

The United Methodist Church

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

2023 Quick Reference Guide
To Grants & Funding Opportunities
In the Cal-Pac Conference

URBAN MINISTRY

\$10,000

Grants are available to local churches and church related ministries, non-profit church related ministries.

- Local church programs and church related ministries
- Urban Ministry programs with a focus on children

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

\$45,500

Grants are available to local churches and church related ministries, non-profit church related ministries.

- Ministry with children of the Latinx community
- Ministry with at-risk children
- General Ministry with children under age 10

INTERNATIONAL WORKTEAMS

\$8,500

Grant for Local Church or Annual Conference sponsored work teams outside of the United States.

CHURCH GROWTH & EVANGELISM

\$17,500

Grants from the YS Mae Fund are for Local Congregational Programs focused on Church Growth and Evangelism.

YOUTH MINISTRY

\$12,000

Grants are available to local churches and church related ministries, annual conference ministries, and non-profit church related ministries.

- Local Church & Annual Conference Grants
- At-Risk Youth Programs
- At-Risk Youth Programs with a priority for Foster Care

FOUNDATION GRANTS

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

\$4,500

Grants are available to local churches and church related ministries, non-profit church related ministries focusing on ministries to adults age 65 and older.

Over the years, the Foundation has been the beneficiary of bequests which have become permanent endowments to help fund a variety of ministries. Grants are available to United Methodist Churches, Individuals, and Church Related Ministries within the boundaries of the Annual Conference.

The Foundation Grant Committee determines the number and amount of awards based on the applications received.

[For applications and information on scheduling deadlines, click here.](#)

CLERGY CONTINUING EDUCATION

\$5,500

Available to Deacons and Elders in Full Connection in the California-Pacific Annual Conference.

[Apply Here](#)

1ST & 2ND YEAR SEMINARY STUDENTS

\$31,000

To apply for the seminary grants, contact Cathy Wilson, cwilson@calpacumc.org, with the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry.

LOIS BALSLEY SCHOLARSHIP

Grant for Undergraduate Education, for entering first year students. Available to United Methodist Youth of the Annual Conference. Only one grant per congregation will be awarded.

May 1, 2023 – Application deadline (online applications preferred)

June 5, 2023 – Notification of application status

Summer 2023 – Scholarship awards mailed to the recipient

BOTKIN THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL

A scholarship designed to ease the financial burden of students who are in the process of entering into full service of the church. The guidelines are as follows:

1. The scholarships are limited to first, second and third-year students only.
2. The scholarships are not given to students in a doctoral program.
3. The student must be enrolled in a theological institution that is fully accredited by the UMC.

BISHOP CHARLES F. GOLDEN

\$550

Granted to certified ministerial candidates and provisional members in good standing in the California-Pacific Conference who are under the care of the Cal-Pac BOM or related to a District Committee. The student must attend an approved United Methodist Seminary.

GBHEM SCHOLARSHIPS

\$8,500

GBHEM Scholarships offers financial aid to United Methodist students pursuing undergraduate and graduate degrees. Please go to their website for more information: www.gbhem.org/scholarships/

CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION

\$2,500

Candidates pursuing Provisional Membership in the California-Pacific Conference of the United Methodist Church may apply for Clinical Pastoral Education scholarships up to \$2,500 if the program is accredited.

ETHNIC MINORITY

\$1,000

Designated for ethnic persons who have been approved as Certified Candidates by their District Committee on Ordained Ministry and are seeking Provisional Membership in the California-Pacific Conference of the UMC. They must be enrolled in a seminary approved by the UMC University Senate. Funds may be used for up to \$1,000 for books, school supplies, tuition or emergency living expenses.

BOARD OF ORDAINED MINISTRY SCHOLARSHIPS

WESTWOOD UMC

Available for certified candidates for ministry in the California-Pacific Annual Conference, enrolled in a seminary approved by the University Senate of the UMC, and on the Ordained Ministry track.

The BOM provides scholarships to those who are pursuing studies towards ordination.

Check out which scholarship would best fit you!

For more information on BOM Scholarships, [visit their website.](#)

Don't Forget...

The Cal-Pac Foundation also has some grants available to students. Learn more on the [FOUNDATION GRANTS](#) pages, or on [their website.](#)

FUN FACT

Since its creation in 1968, the Youth Service Fund has enabled youth to support one another in ministry around the world!

YOUTH SERVICE GRANTS

The Youth Service Fund (YSF) is a unique grant program within the UMC, because all aspects involve youth. Youth create fundraisers and contribute money, youth decide what projects receive money, and all the projects supported must be youth-designed, led by youth, and benefit young people.

Additionally, 70 percent of YSF funds raised by an Annual Conference stay with that Annual Conference! Thirty percent of funds raised by an Annual Conference are sent to the global UMC to support the Global Youth Service Fund.

DETAILED YSF SELECTION CRITERIA & POLICIES

- Priority will be given to those projects that are youth-led (i.e., youth have been leaders in the creation, development, implementation, and evaluation of a project).
- The project must be youth-related (12-18 years of age, or up to age 24 for international projects).
- Youth Service Fund money is to be used to develop and establish new projects that will become self-supporting

APPLICATIONS AND MORE INFORMATION:

Email the Young People's Council at ypcouncil@calpacumc.org for Cal-Pac specific instructions.

Visit [Discipleship Ministries](#) for more information about the global program.



YOUTH CAN GIVE

Youth give directly to YSF by hosting fundraisers, donating individual gifts, or asking local congregations for a special offering.

GET CREATIVE

YSF funds some truly innovative ministries, and we want your best ideas for consideration. Put together an awesome plan, and apply for funding from the Young People's Ministries!

YOUTH DISTRIBUTE

Funds for the Cal-Pac Young People's Ministry are distributed by the Young People's Ministry. Funds sent to the global GCFA are distributed by a group of young people from around the world.



APPLICATION PROCESS

Stage 1: Application (Basic, Short Form includes "who, what, when, where, why, and how" of the Project and an estimated budget). Submissions must be in English. Cal-Pac Youth Groups have four dates to submit requests:

March 30, June 30, September 30 and December 30.

These dates are subject to change due without notice due to YPC scheduling. For most accurate and current information, all questions and inquiries can be sent to ypcouncil@calpacumc.org.

Stage 2 Application: Full application, Long Form including full description, detailed budget, recommendation letter, and list of prayer partner stakeholders. Opens on the 1st day of January, April, July and October.

CONDITIONAL GRANTS

These funds are administered by the Congregational Loan Committee to provide grants to the local church for physical improvements as described below.

Conditional Grants will be considered under the following circumstances:

- Projects or repairs required for health and safety or mandated by code requirements, where the local church is unable to provide all of the funds needed, and
- To provide supplemental funding for projects that are ready for implementation and additional funding is needed.

Funds are granted for a specific project. The limits of the Conditional Grants are 15% of the total project costs, and a maximum of \$35,000 will be granted.

The conditional grant is secured with a Deed of Trust and Assignment of Rents as required by the Book of Discipline (Paragraph 2541) which requires approval by the local church Charge Conference, the Pastor and the District Superintendent.

Assistance is given to congregations which met the requirements and submit the necessary paperwork to complete the process. The cost of recording the Deed of Trust with the appropriate County Recorder is paid by the CLC.

APPLICATIONS AND MORE INFORMATION:

Visit [The Congregational Loan Committee on the Cal-Pac website](#).

CAMPING GRANTS

These funds are administered by the Camping & Retreat Ministries of the California-Pacific Annual Conference.

Summer Camp Programs

Camping and Retreat Ministries offers *camperships* for our summer camp programs. During registration for summer camp there is a small questionnaire to determine how much scholarship is available.

Any and all are eligible to apply for the campership, you do not have to be a member of a United Methodist Church to qualify.

Hosting An Event?

Entities that wish to do Conference-wide camps or retreats should contact the [Director of Camping & Retreat Ministries](#) directly for options.



APPLICATIONS AND MORE INFORMATION:

Visit [Camp & Retreat Ministries on the Cal-Pac website](#). Contact Kenny Funk, the Director of Camping & Retreat Ministries, [via email](#).



HISPANIC COMMITTEE GRANTS

Conference Hispanic Committee funds will be used to give scholarships/grants for programs endorsed by the District Hispanic Committee or Conference Hispanic Committee or the office of Hispanic/Latino Ministries for projects such as:

- Scholarships to promote the Ministry of Laity in the UMC
- Scholarships to promote the Ordained Ministry in the UMC
- Grants to promote activities of evangelism and/or discipleship in languages from Spanish or Portuguese in the California-Pacific Annual Conference
- Grants to promote activities, events, and organizations that safeguard our Latin American cultural heritage and our languages (Spanish and Portuguese).

Twice a year applications will be distributed and reviewed to provide funds by the Conference Hispanic Committee or a subgroup of the same assigned by the committee.



APPLICATIONS AND MORE INFORMATION:

please contact the Director of Hispanic/Latino Ministries and Border Concerns at jhortales@calpacumc.org



NEW MINISTRIES EMT RFPs

The New Ministry EMT is looking for new partners, new models and new leaders. Consequently, we are instituting a Request for Proposal (RFP) system.

We invite you to submit a proposal in response to our two RFPs:

- Church Planting – ministry models based on outreach, discipleship and stewardship.
- Theological Enterprise – simply put, faith-based social enterprises; both non-profit and for-profit models are viable

To Apply for New Ministries Funding:

1. Visit the [New Ministries EMT website](#) to learn more about the two RFPs
2. Submit a Letter of Intent to your district DPAS *and* The New Ministries EMT (an [example LOI](#) is on the New Ministries website)
3. DPAS must first approve the proposal, before they forward it to NMEMT with approval.
4. The EMT will review your proposal.

APPLICATIONS AND MORE INFORMATION:

Please visit [the New Ministries Website](#).



NEW MINISTRIES MICROGRANTS

New Ministries also funds smaller, easy-to-use grants called Microgrants. These are a 1-page application, with a maximum grant size of \$5,000.

Please note they should also be submitted to your district's DPAS. If approved, DPAS will forward your application to NMEMT.

View the application for a microgrant at [the New Ministries EMT website](#).

JUSTICE & COMPASSION GRANTS

We invite applications for one of the following four grants:

Justice and Compassion Grants \$5000 Maximum

The Justice & Compassion Grant is awarded to laity, clergy, congregations, and communities meaningfully engaged in ministries of justice and compassion locally and globally. JCEMT supports a wide variety of new and ongoing programs connected to the people of the United Methodist Church.

Hunger Grant \$500 Maximum

The hunger grant helps resource churches feeding those in their community who are in need. Those grant applications which collaborate with other churches and organizations to provide development of sustainability for those people being served will be given preference. In addition, we encourage ministries to work towards systemic change alongside their compassion work.

Peace With Justice Grants \$2000 Maximum

This grant aims to support local churches, agencies and community organizations located within boundaries of the Cal-Pac Annual Conference, which carry out the mission of the Peace With Justice Committee. All applications must include an advocacy component in their proposed program or project.

Disability Grants \$500-1000 Maximum

This grant aims to encourage United Methodist churches and related agencies to make their programs and facilities fully accessible to and inclusive of people with disabilities by funding projects that address barriers.

Please be aware the Justice & Compassion EMT focuses on engaging ministries that are working toward Ending Spiritual and Physical Hunger. We know that this covers many different areas of ministry and are open to applications from across our entire Conference.

We particularly encourage applications from cooperative ministries (those involving several United Methodist churches, religious organizations, and outside agencies).

APPLICATIONS AND MORE INFORMATION:

View details and applications on [the Justice & Compassion EMT's website](#).

Please note all JCEMT grants are awarded annually, with deadlines in early June.



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