The Presbytery of Charlotte’s vision statement is “Joining Jesus the risen Christ in building, celebrating and anticipating the Kingdom of God in our seven counties and beyond.” The Presbytery of Charlotte supports our pastors and congregations through its staff, Council and Ministry Committees. In response to the recent COVID-19 outbreak, the Presbytery is providing grants for those churches financially impacted by this pandemic.

GUIDELINES

The Presbytery of Charlotte (POC) COVID-19 Financial Assistance Fund will be used to provide emergency aid to eligible churches impacted by the COVID-19 virus. This fund is intended to be used only for issues directly related to the COVID-19 virus. The maximum amount of disbursement shall be $5,000.00. The Presbytery of Charlotte may not be able to honor all requests as written. The churches are required to apply for relief from the CARE Act for assistance prior to requesting funds from the POC COVID-19 Financial Assistance Fund. We strongly encourage our congregations to explore other avenues for relief such as Board of Pensions Grants. Please visit the Presbytery of Charlotte website for additional resources regarding COVID-19 financial assistance.

ELIGIBILITY

Only the Presbytery of Charlotte member churches are eligible for the COVID-19 Financial Assistance Fund.

PROCEDURES

a. A completed COVID-19 Financial Assistance Request Form must be submitted by the member church. The deadline to submit request is April 30, 2020. Request forms may be directed to:

Email: cltpresbyadcomm@gmail.com

or mail to:

Attn: Donald Latham, Treasurer
Presbytery of Charlotte
COVID-19 Financial Assistance
2831 N. Sharon Amity Road, Suite A
Charlotte, NC  28205

b. All requests will be reviewed and approved by the General Presbyter and Administration Committee Moderator.
c. Upon acceptance of the POC COVID-19 Financial Assistance Funds, the congregation agrees to engage in an active relationship with POC to assist in the health, sustainability and stewardship goals of the church.

**REQUIREMENTS**

COVID-19 Funds can only be used for necessities. These include but are not limited to: Pastor/Clergy Salaries, Administrative Salaries, Church staff and Utilities.

COVID-19 *cannot* be used for the following: Third Party pre-school or childcare expenses, capital projects, pre-existing property disrepair, pre-existing debt or business ventures or investments and no new program(s).