

Shared Mission Grant:

Through its program of *Shared Mission Grants*, the Presbytery of Charlotte seeks to encourage the congregations within its bounds to join hands in shared mission, ministry, and discipleship projects with local congregations or local community non-profit agencies. Just as Christ says that wherever two or three are gathered in his name he is there among them (Matthew 18:20), so it is our hope that whenever churches, or churches and local non-profit organizations, come together for ministry in his name the power and presence of Christ will shine even brighter in those places. **Grants for up to \$5,000 nonrenewable.**

Rolling deadline.

ELIGIBILITY: To receive a Shared Mission Grant, two or more congregations or a congregation and non-profit board must come together to formulate a plan for shared mission in their area. At least one church shall be a congregation of the Presbytery of Charlotte with a membership of **less than 200 members**. Each church and/or non-profit agency in the shared project shall have an active role in the work and contribute some time, talent, or financial resources to the project. The shared mission work should serve people beyond the walls of the congregations, reaching out into the community in "compassion, witness and service, sharing in the redeeming love of Jesus Christ for the poor, the hungry, the sick, the lost, the friendless, the oppressed, those burdened by unjust policies or structures, or anyone in distress" (Book of Order, G-2.0201).

APPLICATION: Shared Mission Grants are coordinated by the Presbytery's Ministry Resource Committee (MRC). The grant application shall include, among other things, the endorsement of all participating sessions and governing boards; a detailed expense budget of project and mission expenses and other sources of funds; and a detailed description of how the mission work will be shared by the participating congregations and/or non-profit organization. An incomplete application may result in the application being denied.