

PSWD Ministry Partnership Funds - Application Form

District Ministry Partnership Funds provide ways for the PSWD to come alongside our congregations with financial resources that will help your efforts of revitalization/renewal, being mission points in their communities, new ministries, and church planting. Applications can be submitted throughout the year as congregations are ready to engage in a ministry. Partnership Fund requests submitted by the fifteenth of any month will have a response by the end of the following month. Decisions on approval of Partnership funds will be made by the Congregational Vitality Task Group, and reported to the Executive Board.

Congregation

Name of person completing the application

Email Address

Phone Number

Type of Partnership Funds Applying For

Select the Partnership Fund category

By selecting the Partnership Fund below this application form will take you to the appropriate questions to complete your request.

1. Revitalization Cohort
2. Mission Congregation
3. Coaching/Training
4. Ministry Opportunity
5. Church Planting

Revitalization Cohort

For a congregation(s) that wants to engage an intentional model that provides training for leaders and the congregation in focused work on revitalizing the local church. This could be an individual congregation, or two or more congregations that agree to work with the same organization or ministry assessment tool. Congregation will be asked to provide $\frac{1}{3}$ of cost of participation, grant will cover $\frac{2}{3}$ of cost to a maximum of \$2000 per year. If a group of congregations are working together the District Partnership will be \$2000 per congregation per year, with a maximum of \$8000 per group per year.

Organization or Program Group Plans to Work With

Why did the congregation select this organization or program?

Anticipated Outcomes (Goals) from participation:

Cost of Program Participation

Are you joining any other congregations in a cohort for this program or organization?

Which congregations are in the cohort?

Reporting Information

Mission Congregation

These funds help provide financial support to the general ministry of congregations where a significant portion (1/4 or more) of their ministry is with individuals and families whose incomes are at or below 1 ½ times the poverty level. To request funds the leadership group of the congregation needs to provide documentation of pockets of poverty they are in ministry with in their community, and the number of households in membership/regular participation coming from within this economic group.

What is the poverty rate for the overall community in which you do ministry?

How many households/family units are active in your congregation?

How many of those households/family units do you estimate live on income of 1 1/2 times the poverty level?

Size of Congregation's Annual Budget

Coaching/Training

Allows church to find a process coach or an event on growth/transformation/renewal that they can have a team from the congregation attend and then follow up on implementation and change within congregation. District Partnership Funds will be matching funds with those from congregation and individuals participating. Maximum of \$2000 per congregation per year. Congregations with budgets below \$75,000 will be asked to cover 20% of cost; budgets from \$75,000 to \$150,000 will be asked to cover 35% of cost; budgets over \$150,000 will be asked to cover 50% of costs.

Coach selected or Training Event Congregation Plans to Work With

Why did the congregation select this coach or event?

Anticipated Outcomes (Goals) from participation:

Cost of Program Participation

Size of Congregation's Annual Budget

Reporting Information

Ministry Opportunity

For use when a Church has a vision and plan of how to engage their neighborhood with a ministry or missional opportunity. Goal is to support ideas for consistent engagement as a regular part of church ministry. These would be matching funds with those from congregation to move this ministry idea forward. Maximum of \$2000 per congregation per year. Congregations with budgets below \$75,000 will be asked to cover 25% of cost; budgets from \$75,000 to \$150,000 will be asked to cover 40% of cost; budgets over \$150,000 will be asked to cover 60% of costs.

Please describe the ministry or missional opportunity that the congregation would like to begin. Proposals should be for ongoing ministry development, not one time and done events.

Anticipated Outcomes (Goals) from this ministry opportunity:

Cost of Ministry Opportunity

Size of Congregation's Annual Budget

Reporting Information

Church Planting

Plans for partnership funds in this area are still in development by the PSWD Board of Administration. If you have an idea for Church Planting, contact Russ Matteson (de@pswdcob.org), District Executive Minister, to begin the conversation.