

Presbytery of New Hope
Passion Driven Ministries
PARTNERSHIP APPLICATION
(v.050716)

Dear Ministry Leader:

In 2015 New Hope Presbytery awarded its first round of Passion Driven Ministry partnership grants. These ministries are transforming the way we serve our communities and how we work together serving Christ.

We are grateful that you and your partners in ministry have been led to apply for Presbytery support. Your completed application should be delivered to René Baker at the mail or email address shown below. If mailed please submit three copies.

A 2017 Application Timeline is attached to this form and is available on the Presbytery website. Questions about this application and the award process should be directed (via email, please) to Ted Churn or Debbie Kirk at the addresses below. **(Please note that Ted Churn will be on sabbatical through June 30th)**

Your application will be reviewed by a committee of the Coordinating Body and then be voted on by the Coordinating Body. Letters of award will be issued by the Stated Clerk. Again, please see the Timeline for relevant dates.

We look forward with great excitement to receiving and considering your application!

Thank you, and God's Peace!

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STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIP

1. Do some research to determine whether your type of partnership request is consistent with the Presbytery's goals and objectives for partnership.
2. Include a cover letter with your proposal which introduces your group or ministry and makes a strategic link between your proposal and the Presbytery's mission and partnership interests.
3. Provide responses which are typed, single-spaced, single-sided, and use 11 or 12-point type.
4. Answer all of the questions in each section. You may answer the questions individually or group them into one narrative for each section.
5. Submit your request electronically to Rene Baker or mail three copies to her at the address above.
6. Do not include any materials other than those specifically requested at this time.

THE VISION STATEMENT OF NEW HOPE PRESBYTERY

In response to God's call in Jesus Christ, our mission is to enable local congregations and presbytery as a whole to function as the body of Christ.

We will explore, establish, and equip ministries within the covenant community of our presbytery and beyond.

Through our vision we share the structures we employ and the priorities we advocate. The Presbytery of New Hope will call forth, nurture, and discipline faithful lay and ordained leaders in the presbytery and in local churches.

Moreover the presbytery will promote community among its members and churches, facilitate dialogue, and connect local churches to each other and to the larger denomination.

SECTION ONE

ORGANIZATION AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Date of Application	
Applicant Organization	
Previous Organizational or Ministry Name, if any	
Proposer Contact Information	
Name	
Title	
Phone	
Fax	
Email	
Street Address or Post Office Box	
City	
State	
Zip Code	

MINISTRY/PROJECT/PROGRAM TITLE AND BUDGET

Ministry, Project or Program Title	
Anticipated Start Date	
Affiliations, if any (churches, committees, Non-profits, etc.)	
Churches/Communities served by this Ministry, Project or Program	
Amount of this request (per year)	
Sponsorship Duration (1-yr., 2-yr., or 3-yr.) ¹	
Total Budget for this Ministry, Project or Program	
Other Funding Sources and Amounts (if any) List top three.	
1.	
2.	
3.	

1. Funds for multi-year projects will be disbursed year-by-year, not in a single lump-sum. Additional annual reports and evaluations will be required for multi-year projects. Other funding (if any) should be fully described in Section 4.1.

TYPE OF REQUEST

_____ Capital _____ Technical Assistance _____ Operating
 _____ Ministry/Project/Program Start-up _____ Other

For the purposes of this application the following definitions apply:

Capital: A purchase of equipment expected to be in service 5 years or more, like furniture, computers, vehicles, construction supplies, etc.
 Technical Assistance: The services of a consultant or specialist
 Operating: For the ongoing expenses of an operation or enterprise, generally which wholly or partially pre-existed this application.
 Ministry/Project/Program Start-up: New expenses which are not capital or technical assistance.
 Other: Any which do not fit the categories above. Describe in the following narratives.

Signature of Primary Applicant	
Signature of Co-Applicant	

SECTION TWO

ORGANIZATIONAL BACKGROUND

Priority will be given to ministries, projects or programs which connect two or more congregations and/or entities (i.e. non-profit, corporations, community-based organizations, etc.) in ways which exemplify models of ministry built around partnership and relationship.

The following section should not exceed 1 page in total. Responses should be typed, single-spaced, single-sided, and use 11 or 12-point type. You may answer questions individually or group them into one narrative for this section. It is important that the narrative address all four questions.

1. Brief summary of the ministry's or organization's history (if applicable). For a new ministry describe how it is being organized and who the partners are.

Provide a statement of the ministry's or organization's mission.

2. Brief description of the ministry's or organization's current programs, projects or activities. For a new ministry describe how the partners have worked together on other projects in the past, or separate activities of the partners including how they might become complementary.

3. Evidence of the ministry's or program's effectiveness (if applicable). For a new ministry describe what would be positive results. It is recognized that some "results" may be intangible and difficult to describe. Please try to list achievement of specific goals or objectives.

4. Description of the population and geographic region (churches/communities) served by this organization/ministry.

SECTION THREE

STATEMENT OF NEED OR BENEFIT

Ministries, projects and programs should also catalyze people for mission and make real impacts on the lives of people and communities. They should align with the vision of New Hope Presbytery and the three main areas of ministry...Life Together, Congregational Ministry, and Nurture of Leaders (see <https://prezi.com/olgthg8vkg3e/presbytery-of-new-hope/>). And they should exhibit deepening devotion to Jesus Christ. Priority will be given to ministries, projects or programs which strengthen church leaders, demonstrate sustainability and impact, and engage and support the work of God's Kingdom embodied in local congregations, communities and ministries.

The following section should not exceed 2 pages in total. Responses should be typed, single-spaced, single-sided, and use 11 or 12-point type. You may answer questions individually or group them into one narrative for this section. It is important that the narrative address all four questions.

1. What is the problem, challenge, void or need that is unaddressed or unmet? Or what is the benefit that this ministry, project or program will impart?

2. What is the evidence that shows that this need or benefit exists?

3. Description of ministry/project/program including:
 - a. Summary description of the overall ministry/project/program to be funded by this sponsorship. Include any unique elements not seen before in your area or ministry.
 - b. Brief description of the goals and objectives for this ministry/project/program.
 - c. Timetable for implementation and duration of this ministry/project/program.
 - d. Evidence of "best practices". For example is this ministry/program/project based on one which has been shown to be effective in other settings? If the initiative is a pilot-project and has not been done before describe how you will discern that your project has been a success.

4. How and with whom will the organization collaborate on this ministry/program/project? Describe how you decided with whom to partner and how you expect to work together.

SECTION FOUR

SUSTAINABILITY

Priority will be given to ministries, projects or programs which supplement Presbytery sponsorship for broader impact and which, if described as on-going, have long term sources of funding beyond sponsorship.

The following section should not exceed 1 page in total. Responses should be typed, single-spaced, single-sided, and use 11 or 12-point type. You may answer questions individually or group them into one narrative for this section.

MINISTRY/PROJECT/PROGRAM FUNDING PLANS

1. What other funding is anticipated for this proposal? Please describe sources or activities.
 - a. Earned revenue or fees (if revenue will come from multiple sources or activities please describe them here)
 - b. In-kind support
 - c. Special events
 - d. Support from churches or other Presbyterian bodies
 - e. Fundraisers, etc.

2. If this will be a repetitive or on-going enterprise describe plans and sources for future and/or long-term funding.

SECTION FIVE

ACCOUNTABILITY

Ministries should be faithful, transparent and accountable to their partners, their supporters, and to New Hope Presbytery. Ministries should abide by the Accountability Standards set forth by the Presbytery for Passion Driven Ministries.

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EVALUATION AND RESULTS

1. Provide specific short-term, intermediate and/or long term outcomes of this ministry/program/project and the timeframe(s) in which they will occur.
2. How will outcomes be measured?
3. How will results and methods be used, shared and disseminated by your enterprise?
4. How will participants be actively involved in evaluating your work?
5. Describe in one or two paragraphs your approach to the Accountability Standards set forth by Presbytery for Passion Driven Ministries?

Passion Driven Ministries are expected to submit (in simple letter or narrative form) status reports describing activities, expenditures and outcomes six months and twelve months from the date of the Presbytery's award letter. Letters should be directed to Rene Baker at the address on page 1 of this application.

The status reports should address the partners are working together or how their collaboration might be strengthened, Final reports should include the information any other collaboration in the Presbytery might need to replicate the project/ministry.

APPENDIX A

Presbytery of New Hope Grant Program Accountability

The Presbytery of New Hope has shifted to a grants model for funding various ministries and projects. In order for this model to work, and indeed for Presbytery to succeed in its overall mission, ministry and project participants must be accountable to one another and to their leadership, and leaders must be accountable to the Presbytery.

Accountability is the guiding principle that defines how we make commitments to one another, how we measure and report progress, how we interact when things go wrong, and how much ownership we take to get things done.

Accountability is both a promise and an obligation to deliver specific defined results. Accountability applies to individuals and their personal promise(s) that their activities will deliver the agreed results. In this case, accountability is first and foremost a personal commitment to the Presbytery and its mission.

The twelve key characteristics of accountable New Hope ministries and project teams are:

1. The leader or co-leaders can articulate the goal, describe a path and timeline for reaching the goal, and describe how each participant contributes to reaching the goal. The leader or co-leader can also describe the consequences of not reaching the goal or maintaining the timeline and will be prepared to acknowledge when the goal or timeline are endangered.
2. The goal or goals and timeline are clear to all parties including the ministry or project team leader(s) and all of the participants or team members. The goal or goals and timeline have been communicated to the Presbytery leadership and staff and have been acknowledged or accepted. The goal or goals and timeline have been communicated to all participants or team members and they have accepted the charge.
3. Each participant or team member can articulate the goal(s) and timeline and list at least three activities assigned to or uniquely undertaken by them, along with an associated deadline, which will move the ministry or team toward its goal(s). They will be prepared to acknowledge when their activities are not being completed or their deadlines not met.
4. The leader or co-leaders are committed to gaining and sharing knowledge about their ministry or project with their team members and Presbytery. The leader or co-leaders are also committed to gaining, developing, exercising leadership skills and sharing those skills with Presbytery, leaders of other teams or ministries, and members of their own team or ministry.
5. The leader or co-leaders can describe the key resources needed for their work and how those resources will be used. The leader or co-leaders are committed to securing and sharing the resources their ministry or team needs to do its work. The participants or team members are committed to the careful stewardship of their resources. The participants or team members will account for how resources are used and report to their leadership. The leadership will likewise report to the Presbytery. At all levels this reporting will be voluntary and proactive so that the Presbytery can allocate resources on an ongoing basis and properly plan for future projects and ministries.
6. The leaders or co-leaders will aggressively communicate with their participants or team members, seek feedback, identify needed resources, and mend any broken lines of communication.

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- 7..The leaders or co-leaders will obtain on a regular basis, from participants or members, the status of on-going activities and progress toward goals. They will help participants or members focus on productive activities and meet deadlines and eliminate unproductive activities. Ministry or team members will likewise support one another in productive activities and meeting deadlines and the elimination of unproductive or counterproductive activities.
8. The leaders or co-leaders will report to the Presbytery on a regular basis their progress toward their goal(s), allocation of resources, and need for future resources. They will acknowledge the consequences of not meeting their goals or staying on their timelines.
9. The leaders or co-leaders will pause in their work, assemble their team, and ask the Presbytery for guidance when they do not believe they are making acceptable progress toward their goals. They will resume their work when they believe they have achievable goals and a reasonable timeframe.
10. When goals are achieved the leader or co-leaders will celebrate with their participants or team members, will acknowledge publicly the contribution of each team member, and will provide a written report to Presbytery. The report will list three keys to its success, three hurdles or obstacles which were overcome, and how achieving the goal or goals impacted the lives of at least three communities or individual persons.
11. When the leader or co-leaders recognize that their goal will not be achieved they will either define, secure approval and pursue a new goal, or will graciously disband to free up resources for other efforts.
12. The leader or co-leader will identify and encourage one or more future leaders among their team or participants and agree to mentor them for some period of time in the taking up of a new ministry or project.

APPENDIX B

ELEMENTS OF A SUCCESSFUL PASSION DRIVEN MINISTRY

The Coordinating Body has lifted up these elements as part of a successful passion driven ministry.

- Connects with two or more congregations and/or entities (i.e., non-profit, corporations, community-based organizations, etc.) in ways that exemplify models of ministry built around partnership and relationship.
- Project leaders or sponsors have attended a New Hope Presbytery-sponsored Leadership Summit where Presbytery priorities will be taught and modeled (not an absolute requirement but highly recommended).
- Emerging projects in the Presbytery that have not traditionally received funding, or existing ones that can demonstrate how they have been changed to better align with Presbytery priorities.
- Projects that develop and strengthen church leaders through training, mentoring and intentional relationships.
- Projects that demonstrate sustainability and impact. In this context “sustainability” means having the capacity to continue, or to have a continuing effect, without continuous funding from Presbytery.
- Projects committed to engaging and supporting the work of God's Kingdom as it is embodied in local congregations, communities and ministries

2017-2018 SCHEDULE

Deadline for Applications	July 31, 2017
Committee Evaluation/Report to CB	August 2017
Coordinating Body approval of PDMs (Notification Letters sent to applicants)	August 2017
Approved PDMs sent to Finance and Property for inclusion in 2018 Budget	September 2017
Finance and Property recommends 2018 Budget to Presbytery	October 2017
Distributions begin	January 2018