

Ministry Mobilization Grants (MMG)

These grants are awarded to congregations seeking to revitalize their Ministry by developing new ministry areas to replace or add to its current Ministry efforts. These grants are awarded for a three year period, the total not to exceed \$40,000 over the three years. These ministry areas are to be of a significant nature which either expands or redirects the specific Ministry of local church.

Ministry Mobilization is defined as an existing congregation choosing to retool for a new style of ministry or to develop a new ministry area to add to its current ministry efforts. For MMG churches to apply for grants they must be willing to have their project evaluated by its production of growth as mutually agreed upon by the congregation, classis and Synod CPD. Funding agreements remain in effect only as the evaluations reflect movement toward the stated goals.

A church must provide information on the following MMG criteria:

1. A full description of the proposed new ministry direction, complete with rationale for the venture. With this description should come a classis assessment of the project and a statement of support and, if any, its financial commitment.
2. A detailed budget for the initiative including all other sources of funding and all expenses. Also include a copy of the last years Financial Statements and the latest budget for the Church.
3. There will be no funding given for the renewal of buildings. The reason for this is that the mandate of this fund is to bring growth and buildings do not produce growth, ministry does. A building is, in itself; not a growth project.
4. For any request to be considered the pastor must state a commitment to stay with the Congregation for the length of the proposed renewal project. Leadership is vital to any project and there must be the commitment on the pastor's part to see the work through to the point where it is well underway. Changes in pastoral leadership would distract efforts, blur the original vision and slow the process down, if not totally derail it.
5. Every request for funds must be accompanied by the church's statement of its vision and mission, philosophy of ministry statement; evangelism and discipleship plan, specific goals for the project at 6 mos., 1 year, 2 years and 3 years. Funding will be connected to yearly evaluations based on these goals.
6. All MMG funds will be released over 3 years.
7. Each year a MMG church must file its annual financial report and budget with Synod CPD. 8.

There will not be more than 3 MMG projects under the care of Synod at one time.

Regional Synod of Canada Inc.

Application for Ministry Mobilization Grants (MMG)

Date

Church or Classis:

Name of Contact regarding this application:

E-mail of Contact:

Phone Number of Contact

Amount Requested:

1. Description of Initiative:

2. Timing of Initiative:

3. Purpose of this initiative:

4. How will you evaluate this initiative:

Please ensure you have the proper documentation requested above.

Approval

Pastor

Date:

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Date:

Clerk:

Classis Committee Chair:

Name:

Position:

Date:

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Name:

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Date: