

Northern Skies District Creative Ministry Grant

Purpose: The Creative Ministry Grant program provides incentive to encourage new creative ministries of outreach and program development which might otherwise not be possible because of local budgetary consideration.

Church _____ Church phone _____

Church address _____

Name of Ministry _____

Briefly describe the ministry:

What results/benefits do you expect from this ministry?

Key persons planning/administering this program will be:

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Phone _____

e-mail _____

e-mail _____

Has this program been done in your church within the last five years? _____

Budget:

Expenses anticipated:

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Total Expense	\$ _____

Income expected:

From local church and other local sources

\$ _____

(Must be a least equal to grant request)

Other sources (not local)

\$ _____

Grant request (not more than \$300)

\$ _____

Total Income

\$ _____

Pastor's signature _____

Date _____

Ad. Bd./Council rep. signature _____

Date approved by Ad. Bd./

Ad. Council _____

**Send completed form to: Northern Skies District Office
927 W. Fair Ave., Marquette, MI 49855**

What is a “Creative Ministry?”

The intent of the Creative Ministry Grant program is to encourage local churches and clusters of churches to initiate new programs.

Some characteristics of a Creative Ministry might be:

- A program that is new for that church or cluster of churches.
- A program which the local church cannot afford to initiate without help from the district.
- A “pilot” program for which the local church will take full ownership after the first year.
- A short-term ministry.

Some examples of possible Creative Ministries are:

- Beginning a new youth ministry.
- Sponsoring a Mission Work Trip.
- Drama Ministry: a play that could be taken to other churches.
- Start-up/training costs for a program such as Stephen Ministers or Disciple Bible Study programs.
- Developing an information brochure about your church which would be distributed to tourists through motel, restaurants, etc.
- Employing a college student to work with youth and children during the summer.

Some limitations of the Creative Ministry Grants are:

- Maximum grant is \$300.
- Local church must provide at least as much funding as the grant request. (For example, if you request a \$150 grant, your local church must guarantee to raise at least \$150 toward the program.)

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