

## **CENTRAL FLORIDA PRESBYTERY**

### **2022 “MICRO GRANTS FOR TRANSFORMATIONAL INITIATIVES”**

Providing funding to local (CFP) congregations and faith communities for new exploratory initiatives focused on both internal and external transformation. Examples of such initiatives:

- (1) New opportunities for revitalization for church leaders; Ruling & Teaching elders, deacons, church educators, musicians, church administrators & other church staff.
- (2) New programs in individual and congregational discernment.
- (3) New targeted outreach, social justice or mission programs.
- (4) New exploratory church programming
- (5) New community service projects and partnerships.

**Intent:** The intent of these micro grants is to encourage faith communities within the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to experiment with new ideas for ministry that have the possibility of re-energizing Christian discipleship in ways that help them *“experience transformation that opens doors as it opens hearts, that heals relationships, that widens the circle of welcome by meeting the needs of the people and the needs seen in the context in which they worship, play and serve.”* It is our hope that these initiatives will function as laboratories and incubators for the exploration of new relevant and authentic forms of ministry.

While all new project and or programs can be well meaning; the requirements for these grant applicant (churches/sessions) will be to articulate:

- (1) How this program translates to congregational and spiritual renewal.
- (2) How this program meshes with the congregation overall vision.
- (3) How CFP funding acts as one-time seed grant. The local faith community will assume responsibility for continued funding.
- (4) Some type of measurement and or matrix for evaluation.
- (5) A way to share findings (success and learnings) with the presbytery.

The Congregational Transformation Team will serve as the approving authority, in consultation with other Presbytery leaders, for the “Micro Grants for Transformational Initiatives.”

**Team Members:** Chair Calvin Gittner, Joe Wendorph, Sandy Lacey, Cordelia Scheuermann, Amadeo Torres, Cheryl Carson and Dan Williams, CFP Staff Liaisons

**See back for application form**

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APPLICATION FORM**

Church Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your PCUSA Faith Worshipping Community \_\_\_\_\_

Please Check all the ways which your Worshipping Faith Community supports the mission of Central Florida Presbytery.

- Active service by Church members on Presbytery committees
- Financial support for the shared mission, per capita and work of the Presbytery

AMOUNT REQUESTED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Briefly describe how this program will translate to congregational transformation. How does this new initiative mesh with your congregation / faith community’s overall vision? Include a detailed budget.
  - B. What is your measurable goal and how will you evaluate outcomes to this new initiative?
  - C. Describe how your congregation / faith community will support the start up and continuation of the initiative? (Financially, space, staff, volunteers)
  - D. In what ways will you share your findings/learnings with the Presbytery?
  - E. Indicate that your Session or leadership Team approves the project. (For example the signature of the Clerk of Session.
- Allow about 6 weeks between the time you apply and when you need the funding, if approved.
  - Email Rev Calvin Gittner or go online to the Presbytery’s website <http://www.cfpresbytery.org/church-transformation.html> for a digital application form. Please fill out the application and return to Calvin Gittner via email at [cgittner@popreschurch.com](mailto:cgittner@popreschurch.com)