

**Request for Funds to Partner with the
Presbytery of Ohio Valley
for ministries of transformation in church and community**

We, at _____ (name of congregation),
have a plan for ministry to our community, and we seek the partnership of the
Presbytery in that ministry.

Our Church has a passion for a renewed ministry in style and content.

A description of the vision we see can be simply said as:

We believe ourselves to be led by God to respond to this vision by the following
(describe the program or ministry that is being proposed)

Our Church has/will dedicate our own resources to this ministry in the following ways:

Number of members involved in service of this ministry:

Budget or other financial support:

Other forms of support to the community ministry

Our Church has received or has applied for other grants or loans to support this ministry (including loans or grants from other agencies of the Presbytery of Ohio Valley, Synod or General Assembly):

Our congregation's resources are reflected by the following facts:

We have members (that is persons of confirmation age or older)

We have an average of persons in worship each week.

Our total annual budget is approximately

A little more information about this particular ministry to our community includes:

Our vision of this ministry is that it can transform our church by

Feel free to attach any additional information/or materials to describe the ministry

Our church participates in the life of the Presbytery in multiple ways:

Per Capita: (amount paid in the previous year)

Shared Mission support: (amount contributed in the previous year)

Congregation members serving on Presbytery committees and groups.

Please name persons

Elder Commissioners attending Presbytery Assembly in the past year

Please check all that apply:

Winter (Mar) Spring (Jun) Summer (Sept) Fall (Dec)

Other ways our church participates in presbytery are (such as hosting an assembly or presbytery committee meetings, joining in the presbytery prayer partners, etc.)

**This request for a partnership grant was approved by the Session on:
and carries the signatures of:**

the Clerk of Session: _____

the Moderator of Session: _____

Applications are made to the Mission Council of the Presbytery of Ohio Valley, and may be sent to the Stated Clerk or Executive Presbyter (who serves as the Mission Council Moderator). Applications are reviewed four times a year, at the stated meetings of Council. The deadlines for applications in 2014 are: February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1.

Some criteria are implicit in making a partnership request:

- The maximum grant will be \$7,500 and no more than 50% of the total cost.
- There is no minimum grant request. If a congregation only needs a smaller amount, ask.
- Sustainable ministry or moving toward sustainability is a value.
- Costs for personnel or for building maintenance and/or repairs are not generally approved.
- New ideas (including new ways to engage in on-going ministries) are encouraged.
- Ordinarily, the grants will not be made for deacon or pastoral discretionary funds, or simply as a contribution to a community ministry