Penn Central Conference of the United Church of Christ

GRANT APPLICATION FORM

☐ Innovation Grant ☐ St. John's Lebanon Grant

Date of application: _____

NAME OF CONGREGATION _____

ADDRESS _____

(STREET / P.O. BOX) (CITY)

_____

(STATE) (ZIP CODE) (PHONE) (EMAIL) (WEBSITE ADDRESS)

CONTACT PERSON_____

PHONE_____EMAIL_____

NAME OF ASSOCIATION_____

Have you contacted your Association for matching funds? ___Yes _____No

If yes, how much and when were you awarded funds? $ _____ Date_____

Name of
Contact Person:_____Signature:_____Date:_____

Name of Board/Consistory/

Council President:_____Signature:_____ Date:_____

Name of Association

President: _____Signature:_____ Date:_____

(Association info requested only if receiving matching grant for funding this innovation project)

(Please complete and include this application form with the grant proposal – details on reverse side)

Please include, at a minimum, responses to the following in your grant proposal *(please attach additional pages, as needed):*

* Proposal summary (at least one paragraph)
* Amount requested
* Purpose
* Description of the project (objectives):
    - How is this project meeting an unmet need in the community?
    - How will you sustain the project after the grant award expires?
    - How will discipleship be encouraged?
* Anticipated outcomes
* Process for evaluating the project
* Budget (18-month projection)
* Include latest yearbook report
* Plan to submit a summary of progress after first 12 months
* Please note: a coach will be available for a 3-6 month period to help you achieve your goals

Application and Eligibility Process

Innovation grant is available to UCC faith communities within the Penn Central Conference of the United Church of Christ. Innovation Grant applications will be received July 1 – October 30. Grant award recipients will be notified by the end of November. St. John's Lebanon grant is available to UCC faith communities within Lebanon County.

To be considered for an innovation grant, all applicants will:

- Complete and submit application form by the deadline: received via email by October 30 or postmarked October 30. Late applications will not be considered.
- Attach 18-month project proposal with detailed budget and project description (see application form)
- Use grant funds for project supplies, etc. (not salaries)
- Submit a grant proposal that reflects a bold and innovative approach to ministry and/or applies an old

model in a new way to address a particular need within the ministry context (e.g. community outreach)

Ministries that are meant to be sustaining, as well as ministries that are meant to be impactful for a particular time and place, are encouraged to apply.

- 60% of the funding will be awarded to innovative initiatives in rural or urban faith communities
- Each congregation is eligible for up to $10,000 (grand lifetime) from this program.

Information about other UCC grants is available here:
http://www.ucc.org/program_grants
http://www.ucc.org/grow-your-church
Information for starting new churches is available here:
http://www.ucc.org/newchurch

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Funding Period: From: _____ To: _____
Amount awarded: $ _____
Date declined:_____ Reason: _____
Name/Initials of committee member completing this: _____