

Wisconsin Conference Creation Care Grants 2021 – Application Form

The Conference Creation Care Team, in response to the Kairos Call to Action and with the support of the Conference Catalyst Fund, is making \$1,000 grants available to Wisconsin Conference UCC Congregations that are planning initiatives to deepen their love of creation and positively change their relationship with the environment. These initiatives could address new models for community-based cooperation and ministry, environmental and economic justice work, theological grounding for your congregation's response to the climate crisis, and/or potential leadership identification and development for guiding the congregation's response. Additionally, because the Creation Care Team has connected with the Native American communities of Wisconsin, consideration will be given to congregations who use this as an opportunity for multicultural literacy and cooperation. These changes can be small or large -- they could focus on energy use levels, renewable sources of energy, conservation efforts, recycling efforts, resources management, etc. Because of the far-reaching dimensions of the climate and ensuing economic crisis, priority consideration will be given to initiatives that connect with multiple partners within or beyond communities the congregation serves.

The grant can cover the full amount of the project, or a portion of the project with the church and other sources funding the remaining costs.

Congregations who receive grants will be assigned a member of the Conference Creation Team for advice and support through the duration of the project and will be required to make a report at the time of the completion of their project. The report should include photographs, a description of what was completed, a narrative about how the project is affecting the congregation, and explanation of who was involved in the project, and any lessons that could be shared with other congregations for inspiration and modeling.

Grant requests are due by Oct. 31. They will be considered in early November, with notification later in November and payment before Dec. 31.

Required Grant Information

Name of church and location: _____

Contact person and information: _____

Address: _____; email: _____; phone: _____

Description of project (include details, attach extra sheets if necessary): _____

Time period for project completion: _____

Amount of grant request: _____; Total project cost: _____

Applicant signature: _____ Date _____

Pastor's signature (if not applicant) _____ Date _____

Moderator/Council President: _____ Date _____

Send application to Lisa Hart at the Conference Office, 4459 Gray Rd., DeForest, WI 53532

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