



First Congregational Church of Pasadena
United Church of Christ

Outreach Grants

First Congregational Church of Pasadena is pleased to offer Outreach Grants up to \$25,000 for projects or activities aligned with the congregation's mission, vision, and core values that benefit persons in Pasadena and/or immediately adjoining communities.

GRANT REQUEST PROCESS

Completed grant applications will be reviewed by the Outreach Grants Committee.

The Committee will make a recommendation about recipient awards to the Church Council.

Grants of \$1,000 or less may be approved by the Outreach Grants Committee or Church Council.

Grants for Immediate Need of \$1,000 or less will be considered within 30 days of receipt of a completed application.

Proposals under \$15,000 and approved by the Church Council may be funded directly.

Applications for \$15,000-\$25,000 and accepted by Council will be referred for approval by the Congregation.

Grants will be awarded at the discretion of the Outreach Grants Committee, Church Council, and/or the Congregation of FCC Pasadena.

Applicants for grants greater than \$1,000 will be notified of the Grants Committee / Church decision within 90 days after the application deadline.

AREAS OF PRIORITY

Children and Youth

Hunger and Homelessness

The Educationally Underserved and Marginalized

Peace and Justice

Care for the Environment

Advancing Economic Justice

SELECTION CRITERIA

Assistance of underprivileged children

Projects, activities, or support benefitting persons in Pasadena and/or immediately adjoining communities

Projects or activities aligned with the congregation's mission, vision, and core values

Projects that begin or continue a relationship between persons within the FCC community and the organization receiving the support

EXCLUSIONS

The organization must not employ any member or regular attendee of FCC Pasadena, or family members or friends of such a person, unless it is determined no conflict-of-interest or undue influence exists.

Members and regular attendees of the congregation are not eligible to receive grants.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF COMPLETED APPLICATION

The application must be RECEIVED on or before the deadline date of *November 1, 2019* at 5:00 pm for a 2019 grant. The application deadlines for grants funded after that will be December 1, April 1, September 1, at 5:00 pm. You may submit a completed application and attachments to:

1. fccpasadenagrants@gmail.com (preferred method); or,
2. Postal mail to:
First Congregational Church of Pasadena, UCC
500 E Colorado Blvd.
Pasadena CA 91101
Attn: Outreach Grants Committee

Please contact the church office at fccpasadenagrants@gmail.com or (626) 795-0696 if you have any questions about First Congregational Church of Pasadena, UCC or the Outreach Grant application process. September 2019

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Since 1885 in Pasadena

First Congregational Church of Pasadena is a progressive church in Pasadena, and is part of the United Church of Christ. Our core values are *Spiritual growth*, *Welcome*, and *Justice-seeking*. We celebrate diversity in race, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, and physical and mental ability, and welcome all persons who seek compassion, reconciliation, and friendship.

The congregation, incorporated in 1885, has a long history of involvement in the wider Pasadena community, particularly in the area of social justice. More information about the church and our congregation may be found on our website uccpasadena.org.

MISSION STATEMENT

We are a progressive UCC church in Pasadena. Following Christ and growing in relationship with God and each other, we welcome the stranger and advocate justice for all creation.

CORE VALUES

Spiritual growth

We are transformed by being followers of Jesus and part of this particular community of faith, through worship, music, fellowship, small groups, and action.

Welcome

We see our church as open and welcoming, with sensitivity and awareness to others in need.

Justice-seeking

We follow Jesus by speaking out and taking action on issues of injustice, challenging “principalities and powers” in our community and world.

VISION STATEMENT

Exploring our faith and responding to God’s word, we create opportunities for spiritual and intellectual growth for children and adults and for relationships of respect, love and service in our community.

Embodying God’s love and the teachings of Jesus Christ we celebrate diversity in race, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, and physical and mental ability, and welcome all persons who seek compassion, reconciliation, and friendship.

Demonstrating faith in action we help alleviate hunger and homelessness and work with the educationally underserved and marginalized in the greater Pasadena area.

We renew hope by working on behalf of the poor and disenfranchised in the wider world; building dignity, promoting care for the environment and advancing economic justice.

AN OPEN AND AFFIRMING CONGREGATION • A JUST PEACE CHURCH

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Outreach Grant Request Form for Immediate Needs

Grants for Immediate Need of \$1,000 or less will be considered within 30 days of receipt of a completed application. Criteria, priorities and exclusions are the same as for Outreach Grants greater than \$1,000.

Please answer all applicable questions thoroughly and to the best of your ability. You may attach additional documentation if needed to answer the questions. Incomplete applications or those without sufficient information to permit adequate review will not be considered. Grants will be awarded at the discretion of the Outreach Grants Committee, and/or the Church Council of FCC Pasadena.

1. Name of Organization or Recipient _____

Website _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____

2. Contact Information for whom we should reach out to regarding this application.

Full Name _____ Title _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Relationship to the Organization _____

3. What is the purpose of your organization?

4. Is this a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please indicate the Employer Identification Number _____

5. Funding Amount Requested (maximum \$1,000) _____

6. What is the purpose of this project/activity/support? What issue is to be addressed?

7. Who is served?

8. How will these funds be used?

9. Why do you consider this an immediate need?

10. Have other funds for this proposal been requested and are to be received?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, from whom? _____

For how much? _____

11. Are funds from FCC Pasadena necessary for your project/activity/support?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain:

12. How will accountability be ensured?

13. Does your organization employ any family member or regular attendee of FCC Pasadena, or family members or friends of such a person?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain:

14. We expect every grant recipient to provide FCC Pasadena with a report on the results of your project/activity/support after funding is received. Do you agree to do so?

Yes _____ No _____

15. If your proposal is funded, do you give FCC Pasadena permission to publicize the grant for your project/activity/support?

Yes _____ No _____

16. In addition to answering the above questions, please attach the following summary materials to your application:

- a. Projected budget and timeline for the project/activity/support to include all sources of funding
- b. Letter from the organization confirming that whoever is applying for/receiving the funds is authorized by the organization to do so
- c. Additional materials, as you see fit to help inform our decision-making process

17. Submitted by: (Signature) _____ Date _____

(Printed Name) _____

Position _____

REVIEW OF COMPLETED APPLICATION

Applications for Grants for Immediate Needs of \$1,000 or less may be submitted at any time.

Applicants will be notified of the Grants Committee / Church decision within 30 days of receipt of a completed application. Grants will be awarded at the discretion of the Outreach Grants Committee and/or Church Council.

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