



Strategy for Maumee River District Trustee Grants

Current reality:

As a district, we seek to come alongside local churches and related ministry organizations in their mission to make disciples and reach people with the hope and grace of Jesus. Limited financial resources and increasing need, however, require us to be more strategic in maximizing our resources in the MRD. Therefore, as the leadership team makes decisions in the District Grant process, we must ascertain the highest potential organizations, churches and pastors whom we believe will partner with the Holy Spirit to produce spiritual fruit.

The total amount of grant monies will be established annually by the District Superintendent and District Board of Directors based on availability of funds. The amount of dollars given to selected grant recipients will depend upon the number of ministries approved to receive a district grant.

Purpose:

To give aid in financing capital improvements and major maintenance projects.

To be used for accessibility needs to reach more people.

What grants will not be given for –

- Debt reduction
- Visioning Process
- Stewardship campaign financing
- Architectural fees
- Loans
- Regular maintenance needs, including but not limited to HVAC, roof repair, stained glass

Process:

Grant applications will be accepted October 1 – October 31, 2025

Grant requests will be available annually.

Grant applications must be completed fully.

If awarded, grants will only be used for the requested purpose.

At the discretion of the District Superintendent, mid-year requests may be accepted as money is available.

Notes:

We recognize that rural and urban churches may have different ways to reach their communities. We will review fruitfulness of grant monies received in the past.

This grant is for a capital/building need. If the request is for mission or ministry, there is different funding available.