

Forward 150 Mission Fund Policies and Procedures

The Forward 150 Mission Fund at First Presbyterian Church of Champaign was founded to fund new mission proposals, expanding the Church's reach and impact on a suffering world. These proposals can take several forms. One form would be projects addressing the root causes of poverty, with particular attention to women, children, and education, consistent with PCUSA Mission Agency goals. A second form would be projects educating the congregation and broader community about such issues specifically to shape future endeavors related to the eradication of poverty. A final form would be projects that create more enthusiasm for, and participation in, mission endeavors at our church.

The intent of the fund is **not** to shift normally budgeted mission items to being paid for from the Forward 150 Mission Fund. The Forward 150 Mission Fund is not a sustainable fund and will cease after three years.

The fund is planned to total \$180,000 over the course of three years. The fund is split into 1/3 World Mission, 1/3 Community Mission Deacons, and 1/3 open to the discretion of Mission Team. It has been approved (pending formal proposals) that the 2015 allocation will be as follows: \$20,000 for Opportunity International's Educational Microfinance Program, up to \$20,000 (but at least \$10,000) for Tracy Dace's DREAAM project, and \$20,000 to other projects/proposals.

World Mission and Community Mission Deacons are responsible for their respective projects in determining desired goals/outcomes, which will inform whether to continue funding the program for the next year. World Mission and Community Mission Deacons will make yearly recommendations to Mission Team for continuation/discontinuation of their selected projects.

Policies and procedures for accessing the remainder of fund:

1. Those who wish to access the fund will formally apply via the attached form. This form should be submitted via email to the Mission Coordinator. The proposal will be forwarded to the Forward 150 Mission Policies and Procedures Subcommittee for review. If approved by the Subcommittee, the proposal will be submitted to the Mission Team for review and possible approval.
2. Project proposals should relate clearly to the intention of the fund, (see the first and second paragraphs of this document).
3. Project proposals will be accepted from congregants, staff, and the broader community, with priority given to individuals or groups affiliated with the church.

Project Proposal Application for Forward 150 Mission Fund

First Presbyterian Church of Champaign

Directions: This form is to be filled out and submitted electronically. Please answer each question/topic request, adding as much space as you need to fully answer. Please submit this form to Kristi Corbin, Mission Coordinator at Kristi.Corbin@FirstChurchChampaign.org

1. **Name of applicant:**
2. **Relationship to the Church:**
3. **Name of project:**
4. **Amount requested from the fund:**
5. **Intended goals and outcomes of the project:**
6. **Details of the project (please be specific):**
7. **What is your experience (spiritual, personal, professional, etc.) relevant to the project you are proposing?**
8. **Ways in which such project meets the intent and focus of the Forward 150 Mission Fund:**
9. **Other possible sources of funds for your project, if any:**
10. **If your project is one that extends over a long period of time, how do you expect to secure funding in the future after any Forward 150 Mission Funds you may receive have been depleted?**
11. **Is this project something historically funded at FPCC?**
12. **Other notes:**