

Bucks for Blessings

Partnering in Mission

*I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you,
and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.*

Genesis 12:2

THE CHALLENGE: The church will design a project or program in partnership with another congregation to bless their community.

THE CONCEPT: The Visioning Team wants to promote partnership in Mission, so to that end, a \$1000 grant is offered to churches who partner with another congregation on project or program that will be a blessing to the community outside the church.

The project, after approval and resourcing by the session, is eligible \$1,000 in funding from PGR if the project meets the requirements below. After the project has been implemented, the church will share the outcomes with their church and the presbytery at the annual Mission Fair during the August Presbytery Assembly Meeting

REQUIREMENTS:

1. The church's project must be in partnership with another church (not necessarily PCUSA).
2. Each PGR Church is eligible for one Bucks for Blessing Grant a year for \$1000. If more than one PGR church partners together on a project, each individual church is eligible to apply separately for the grant.
3. The project must have the approval of the church's Session.
4. The projects must be implemented fully within one year following approval of the grant.

THE PROCESS:

1. The simple application is located on the Mission page of the PGR website.
2. The project requires session approval.
3. Grants are awarded on a rolling basis as funds are available. Funds are dependent on Presbytery wide shared mission giving.
4. The projects must be implemented fully within one year of following approval of the grant.
5. The Visioning Team or a Visioning Team subcommittee will read, evaluate and approve proposals. If you have any questions about the process or application, please contact the Visioning Team Moderator, Rev. Jonathan Warren at jwarren@firstpresjax.org and Carol Sleeth at cisleeth@comcast.net
6. Any group within the church may implement the project, and they report to the session and the presbytery. Reports will be given through a Mission Fair during the August Presbytery meeting. You will receive more information about that when you receive your check.

**Application
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Presbytery of Great Rivers

Name of Congregation: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Contact Person(s): _____

Address: _____
 STREET CITY STATE ZIP

Phone: _____
 HOME WORK CELL

E-mail: _____

Amount Requested (up to \$1,000): _____

Name of Project: _____

Description of project: _____

Partnering Church(es): _____

Identify strengths that your church and community have, and how they will be used in this project:

How will the congregations partner together? _____

What specific blessing(s) will the project share? _____

Proposed Total Budget: \$_____

Other Funding Sources: _____

Date of session approval of project _____