

Ohio Anti-Racism/Pro-Reconciliation Commission
Grant Policies and Guidelines

GRANTS

Grants awarded are intended to help initiate new and/or fund existing projects that target racism/bigotry or help to move organizations toward an anti-racism identity. Normally, Ohio Reconciliation Ministry grants are in the range of \$ 1,000 to \$5,000.

Grants are not awarded for capital expenditures, such as buildings, fixtures, equipment or grounds; loans for business ventures or to liquidate indebtedness.

WHO CAN APPLY

Congregations in Ohio or non-profit organizations related directly to Ohio congregations or the Christian Church in Ohio.

GRANT PROCESS

Grants will be awarded for one-year projects. Grants may be submitted at any time and are evaluated twice a year (usually May and November). Typically each congregation or organization is eligible for funding once in any 12-month period.

WHAT TO INCLUDE IN YOUR APPLICATION

Several items need to be included and must be received in their entirety. These include:

- Completed application form
- A cover letter signed by the authorized leader of the church or other non-profit entity.
- A copy of your organization's tax-exempt letter from the IRS if not covered under a church tax-exemption
- A detailed budget for the project (attachment)

AFTER YOU SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL

Your proposal will be evaluated by members of the Anti-Racism/Pro-Reconciliation Commission at a regular commission meeting (typically the 2nd Saturday of May and November). The commission will take one of four actions: approval, denial, postpone until the next cycle (typically if requests exceed available funds), or return the proposal for additional information or clarification. You will be notified of the decision within two to three weeks of the meeting date. If the proposal is approved for funding you will receive a Notice of Grant Award (NOG) for signature. This notice outlined the conditions of the grant and states the payment schedule. We will require a written progress report at the mid-point of the grant period (if applicable).

AFTER THE GRANT PERIOD EXPIRES

We require a final narrative and fiscal report on all projects we fund. The fiscal report must account for expenditures (total grant award) over the entire project period and be signed by your organization's treasurer or fiscal officer. Failure to submit this report will eliminate your organization from future funding consideration.

SECURING AND SUBMITTING GRANT PROPOSALS

Grant Application Packages (Guidelines and Forms) are available from and must be submitted to:

AR/PR Commission
355 East Campus View Blvd., Suite 110
Columbus, Ohio 43235-5616