



# Northern Illinois Conference

The United Methodist Church

## Northern Illinois Conference Program Ministry Grants Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: Who can apply for a Program Ministry grant?**

*A: Any entity that is part of a local congregation can apply for a grant. The pastor and Church Council (or equivalent) must endorse the request.*

**Q: Who decides what grants are awarded for Social Reform, Redevelopment and Creative Ministries?**

*A: The sponsoring committee will review applications and make awards.*

**Q: What funding amounts are available to the local church through Program Ministry Grants?**

*A: Grants typically range from \$1,500 – 3,000.*

**Q: What follow up is required of those awarded a Program Ministry grant?**

*A: One year after the grant is awarded, or sooner if your project timeline is less than a year, recipients are asked to submit a project evaluation.*

**Q: How will funds be distributed?**

*A: Checks are mailed to the local church treasurer for use in the project.*

**Q: Can I use grant money to fund staff position?**

*A: No. Grants may only be used to fund projects and programs, not staff.*

**Q: What are the grants offered through Northern Illinois Conference and related entities?**

Grant Title	Sponsoring Organization	Application Deadlines	Link for Further Information
<b>Social Reform</b>	NIC Church and Society	October 15	<a href="#">Insert</a>
<b>Redevelopment</b>	NIC Cong. Development and Redevelopment	October 15	<a href="#">Insert</a>
<b>Creative Ministries</b>	Program Ministry Area	October 15	<a href="#">Insert</a>
<b>Keagy Fund/ P.A.C.K.</b>	Keagy/Town and Rural Ministries	March 15	<a href="https://www.umcnic.org/CongregationalLifeForms">https://www.umcnic.org/CongregationalLifeForms</a>
<b>UM Foundation</b>	NIC UM Foundation	September 15	<a href="https://umfnic.org/grants/">https://umfnic.org/grants/</a>
<b>Accessibility Grants</b>	NIC Com. on Accessibility Ministries	As Needed	<a href="mailto:accesstogodshouse@gmail.com">accesstogodshouse@gmail.com</a>



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