



# Presbytery of Genesee Valley

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## Congregation or Community Agency Grant 2020 Project Application

### **ALL PROJECT APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO:**

Cheryl Battaglia [programsecretary@pbygenvval.org](mailto:programsecretary@pbygenvval.org) at Presbytery office 585-242-0080

### Vision of the Healthier Congregations Team :

“Equip and empower congregations and neighborhoods to support one another for the risky work of discerning how to share God’s love more fully in our community, build healthier relationships, explore new ways of being church together, and live as a sign of hope for the world.”

Questions about the grant process may be directed to: Rev. Aaron Neff [pastor@corfuchurch.org](mailto:pastor@corfuchurch.org)

### **Criteria for Congregation or Community Agency Projects**

1. Promotes positive change in congregational or community life.
2. Has a clearly defined goal.
3. Is creative and/or innovative and has a reasonable chance of success.
4. Is describable in terms of outcomes or benefits.
5. Demonstrates a connection to the Presbytery of Genesee Valley or one (or more) of its member congregations
6. Commitment to submit a report that addresses the attached questions no later than March 15, 2021.

### **Name of Project:**

### **Name(s) and Location of Applying Congregation or Community Agency**

### **Contact person(s) for project (Name, phone, e-mail)**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date Submitted**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Amount Requested**

*(Awards for Congregation Transformational Projects will be up to \$1,500)*

*(Awards for Community Agency Projects will be up to \$3,000)*

**Project Description** *(please briefly describe the project)*

**Project Specific Questions for Congregations:**

How will this project help achieve the vision of the Healthier Congregations Team? (see page 1)
How will this project be innovative for your congregation?
How will this project transform the health of your congregation?
How will this project reflect God's love into our world?
How will you know if this project is successful or impactful?

**Project Specific Questions for Community Agencies:**

How will this grant make a difference to your clients or to the community?
How will this project be innovative for your community?
How will this project transform the health of your community?
How will this project reflect God's love into our world?
How will you know if this project is successful or impactful?
How does this project connect to the Presbytery of Genesee Valley or its congregation(s)?

## **REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS**

- **Project Itemized Budget of income and expenses.**  
*Include any anticipated income or support from other sources, including congregations.*
- **Current mission statement from applying Congregation or Community Agency.**
- **Letter of endorsement from session (for congregations only)**  
*Please submit the letter on church letterhead indicating the date of session approval and commitment to report the results of the project to the Grants Working Group by March 15, 2021.*

## **OPTIONAL:**

*You may include up to one (1) page of additional information to support the application*

## **Project Report: (due no later than March 15, 2021)**

*A brief follow-up report regarding the use and outcomes of the funds received is a condition of all 2020 Presbytery grants. **If you are selected to receive a 2020 grant, you must submit a follow-up report.***

An important part of our grant process is reviewing the impact of the projects and highlighting our grant recipients through our communications networks. We are eager to encourage and support ways for our churches to be in better partnership with each other and with community agencies. Receiving and sharing this good news in the Presbytery helps inform our decision-making regarding grant distribution.

**Please respond to the questions below.** Feel free to include additional information. Photos would be appreciated if possible.

- ⊗ What were you hoping to accomplish?
- ⊗ Who was touched by your project or program?
- ⊗ How did this grant energize or transform your congregation or community?
- ⊗ What did you learn from this project and what are your next steps?
- ⊗ *For Congregations:* Please share a story of where you saw God in this project.

**Submit your report to Cheryl Battaglia [programsecretary@pbygenval.org](mailto:programsecretary@pbygenval.org) by March 15, 2021**