

CLASSIS HOLLAND
CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
2020 Ministry Grant Application

Type of Grants Available for the Ministries of Classis Holland:

Sustaining Grants:

A Sustaining Grant is available to smaller under-funded mission-focused ministries and ministries focused on kingdom diversity, which need assistance to meet general operating expenditures like salaries, utilities, building maintenance, etc. Grants are available for up to \$14,500. They are renewable annually according to Classis guidelines. See grant funding guidelines (attached) for details

[Please complete the attached sustaining grant form]

New Ministry Grants:

A New Ministry Grant up to \$14,500 is available for new kingdom opportunities or church plants. Anyone with a vision for a new ministry investment should contact the New Ministry Team Leader, Rev. Art Van Wyhe (616-218-8707), before submitting a grant request. See grant funding guidelines (attached) for details.

[Please complete the attached new ministry grant form]

Project Grants:

A Project Grant is available for mission-focused projects within existing ministries. Grants up to \$3,000 are available. A church may apply for up to three project grants in a ten-year period. See grant funding guidelines (attached) for details.

[Please complete the attached project grant form]

For more information or additional assistance please contact:

Classis Ministries Coordinator: Keith Doornbos (616) 566-4413 kdoornbos@calvinseminary.edu

New Ministries Champion: Art Van Wyhe (616) 218-8707 artvw@gmail.com

Diversity Champion: Sophat Duc sophatduch@gmail.com

Church Vitality Champion: Mark Douglas (269) 236-5037 mark.douglas@charter.net

Sustaining Ministry Grant Application

Name of Ministry _____

Contact Person for this Grant

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Date of Application _____

Grant Request for 2020 (\$) _____

Average Sunday morning attendance _____

of persons through evangelism last year _____

of years receiving a sustaining grant _____

Date of last ministry review (if known) _____

Sustaining Grant Check List (please attached the following):

- A description of the community served (within and outside the walls of the ministry)
- A description of the vision for ministry (i.e. what are you seeking to accomplish?)
- A description of the goals for the coming ministry year
- A sense of the ten-year future for the ministry (i.e. your long-term vision)
- A projected budget for the coming year (please include broad details)
- Churches in classis presently partnering with the ministry

Reminder: JULY 1 DEADLINE!

New Ministry Grant Application Form

Name of Ministry _____

Contact Person for this Grant

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Date of Application _____

Grant Request for 2020 (\$)

Ministry Launch Date

New Ministry Grant Check List (please attached the following):

- A description of the “story” of this new ministry (i.e. where did it come from?)
- A description of the vision for this new ministry
- A description of any studies that support the need for this new ministry
- A description of the new ministry’s goals for the coming ministry year
- A sense of the ten-year future of this new ministry (i.e. your long-term vision)
- A projected budget for the coming year (please include broad details)
- Ministry partners already supporting this new ministry
- If this ministry has already launched please include:
 - Number of persons affiliated with or participating in this ministry
 - Number of persons coming through evangelism in the previous year
 - Ways in which this ministry is impacting the community

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Project Grant Application Form

Name of Ministry _____

Project Name _____

Date of Application _____

Grant Request for 2020 (\$) _____

of Project Grants in the past 10 years _____

Contact Person for the Grant **Name:** _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Project Description:

How will this project assist your ministry to become more mission-focused:

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Classical Grant Funding Guidelines

(guidelines inaugurated in budget year 2020)

- Congregations with 150 or fewer active adult professing members are eligible for grants
- Grants will ordinarily support ministries that are clearly affiliated with the CRCNA and doing ministry within the geographic footprint of classis.
- A ministry may apply for only one type of grant per year and cannot apply for more than three project grants in ten years
- Maximum grants are as follows:
 - ✓ Sustaining and new ministry grants \$14,500/year
 - ✓ Project grants \$3,000/year
- Student funding grants have a maximum of \$5,000/year and a maximum of \$20,000 for the entirety of a student's years of theological training
- Sustaining grants are renewed every five years only after a ministry review with particular attention given to congregational health and demonstrated missional outcomes (i.e. community engagement, pastoring the local community, growth through evangelism, percentage of members living within the church's parish, etc.)
- Classical grants are distributed through a networking process whenever possible. The process takes place in the following manner:
 - ✓ Classis approves grant funding request
 - ✓ Churches agree to enter into a networking relationship with a grant recipient
 - ✓ Churches then reduce classical contributions by amount of grant request and write check directly
 - ✓ The goal is 100% networking
 - ✓ Grants will include approved diaconal ministries and campus ministries
- All project grants must be clearly mission-focused assisting the congregation to creatively reach beyond their walls
- Congregations receiving sustaining grants are not required to contribute to classical ministry shares
- No grant projects can be dually funded by both Classis Holland and another granting organization
- All grant requests must be submitted by July 1 in the year prior to the granting year.