

**Illinois Conference of the United Church of Christ
Justice and Witness Ministry**

GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION

Theological Rational: What does the Lord require of you? To act
 Justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly
 With your God. Micah 6:8(NIV)

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The Justice and Witness Ministry of the Illinois Conference of the United Church of Christ seeks to benefit projects that address the goals and missions of our Charge as outlined in the attached Guidelines.

CRITERIA

- The project must address issues of social justice
- All applications must be Illinois based
- Applications are to include two letters of support, with at least one Letter from a UCC pastor or an administrator
- Submit a copy of the application to the Justice/Witness Ministry and to the Association Minister in your Area
- Identify the sponsoring group within your church or association

YOUR INFORMATION

Name_____

Address_____

Phone numbers: Home_____

 Work_____

 Email_____

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Title of the project for which you are requesting funding

Amount you are requesting – please attach a copy of your budget

List any other funding sources:

Write a one-two page essay addressing the following concerns:

- The social justice issue you will address
- The population that will be served
- The theological rationale for the project
- The research you have conducted
- The purpose, goals and objectives
- The monitoring strategy
- The individuals who will help implement the project
- The focus: your church, the wider church or the community
- The place where the project will be implemented
- The tools to be used for evaluating the success of the project
- The church group or association that will be responsible for the project

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If funding is granted:

1. When will the project begin?
2. What is your estimated completion date?
3. Will you be willing to make a presentation to the local churches, clusters, associations (where applicable)?
4. Will you be willing to write a one-two page essay at the completion of your project for the Justice/Witness Ministry to describe:
 - Your beginning, middle and ending experiences throughout the process
 - The successes of your project
 - Any planning or implementation failures
 - Whether the social injustice was completely resolved
 - Your suggested solutions if this injustice continues
 - Your personal comments?

Forward the completed application and supporting documents to:

The Justice and Witness Ministry of the Illinois
Rev. Marilyn Pagán-Banks
e-mail: mujerdedios.mpb@gmail.com

APPLICATION DEADLINES: JANUARY 15 AND/OR JUNE 15