

**VIRLINA DISTRICT
SMALLER MEMBERSHIP CONGREGATIONS
ASSISTANCE GRANT APPLICATION**

Submit application to Virgina District SMCC, 3402 Plantation Road, NE, Roanoke, VA 24012

CONGREGATION: _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP CODE _____

NAME OF PERSON SUBMITTING APPLICATION _____

CHURCH LEADERSHIP ROLE _____

APPLICANT'S ADDRESS _____

_____ PHONE _____

MEMBERSHIP TOTAL _____ WORSHIP ATTENDANCE _____

OUTREACH GIVING \$ _____ TOTAL ANNUAL GIVING \$ _____

HOW DOES YOUR CONGREGATION CONTRIBUTE TO AND REACH OUT TO THE
COMMUNITY and BRING JESUS INTO THE NEIGHBORHOOD?

PLEASE RATE YOUR CONGREGATION'S PRIORITIES ON A SCALE OF 1 to 5:
(1 = Exceptional; 2 = Very good; 3 = Average; 4 = Could do better; 5 = Not at all)

- _____ Working with people who face challenges with substance abuse (alcohol, drugs, etc.)
- _____ Ministry to members of the congregation (visits, prayer time, hospital visitation, etc.)
- _____ Ministry to inactive members who no longer attend
- _____ Working with community agencies to improve health, living conditions, the neighborhood
- _____ Reaching the unchurched with the message of Christ (Evangelism)
- _____ Meeting emergency and disaster needs of the community
- _____ Welcoming visitors to the services and programs of the congregation
- _____ Supporting Camp Bethel and Virgina District programs and events
- _____ Providing stewardship education to help members grow in giving
- _____ Other (please provide a priority of your congregation not listed here.) _____

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE EXPANDED OR NEW MINISTRY PLANS FOR WHICH THE CONGREGATION IS SEEKING THE ASSISTANCE GRANT: _____

TOTAL COST OF EXPANDED OR NEW MINISTRY: \$ _____

CONGREGATION'S ANTICIPATED CONTRIBUTION: \$ _____

REQUESTED AMOUNT FROM GRANT: (UP TO \$1000.00) \$ _____

OUR CONGREGATION, (name here) _____,

HAS APPROVED THE REQUEST FOR THE SMALLER MEMBERSHIP

CONGREGATIONAL ASSISTANCE GRANT AT OUR BUSINESS MEETING HELD ON

(date of meeting) _____ for the request for \$ _____.

(Please attach minutes of meeting to this application.)

WE WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE THIS GRANT ON OR BEFORE (date) _____.

PLEASE ADD ADDITIONAL COMMENTS HERE IF NECESSARY: _____

UPON RECEIVING AND USING THE **ASSISTANCE GRANT**, PLEASE GIVE THE SMCC AN UPDATE ON HOW THE GRANT IMPACTED YOUR PROJECT.

Thank you for applying for the Smaller Membership Congregational Assistance Grant. While the Assistance Grant is given without obligation to repay, our congregations are encouraged to make contributions to the fund so that other congregations may also receive help. Checks written to help subsidize the fund should be written out to Virlina District – Church of the Brethren and designated on the memo line as “Assistance Grant for SMCC”. Mail contributions to the *Virlina District Resource Center, SMCC, 3402 Plantation Road, NE, Roanoke, Virginia, 24012.*

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