

SYNOD OF LINCOLN TRAILS MISSION INITIATIVE GRANTS

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Mission Initiative Grants are one-time grants of 'seed' money to help begin new congregation based missional activities.
- Missional activities, in this sense means hands on mission in your community that is more participant driven than financially driven.
- These grants are for NEW mission endeavors in your community.
- These one-time grants are for amounts up to \$1,500. Grants may be awarded at amounts lower than requested based on both number of grant requests and level of missional participation.
- Grant recipients will be asked to share progress stories 6 months and 1 year after receipt of the grant.

Please note that all applications include signatures of either the **Pastor** or **Clerk of Session** of the congregation and an appropriate representative of the Presbytery indicating their awareness of and/or endorsement of the application.

All applications will be reviewed by the Standing Committee on Leadership Development at each Synod meeting with deadlines 2 weeks prior to each meeting. Deadline for October 21-22 Synod meeting is October 3rd.



Completed grant applications may be emailed to judy@lincolntrails.org or mailed to:

Synod of Lincoln Trails
Attn: Judy Lucas
1100 West 42nd Street, Suite 210
Indianapolis, IN 46208

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APPLICATION

Name of Congregation _____ Amount Applied For _\$ _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Contact Person _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Congregation Endorsement _____
(Pastor or Clerk of Session)

Presbytery Endorsement _____ Presbytery of _____
(Presbytery Representative)

Please attach answers to the following 3 Questions:

1. Tell us the story of the process you used to make the decision to begin this new missional activity.
2. Outline the way(s) the grant funds will be used in beginning this new missional activity.
3. Trees need 3 essential things to grow strong: **Aeration** (digging the dirt around the roots, loosening of soil so nutrients can get to the roots); **Irrigation** (water, transport of nutrients); **Fertilization** (nutrients). Using this metaphor, we are supplying the seeds or seedlings in the form of grant funds. Tell us the story of the ways that you will be supplying the three essentials while growing a strong new mission through your congregation.

