

Phoenix Fund Guidelines

In the attempt to revitalize and redevelop, a church might require funds from any of these areas of interest they think will best suit their needs or best fit their vision.

- 1. Print:** In attracting new members, a church may want to have materials printed. Those might include brochures that tell all about the church, fliers for after-school and youth activities, etc.
- 2. Technology:** Many churches will want to take advantage of funds for purchasing up-to-date computers or programs that are available specifically for churches. Some churches may need funds and assistance with setting up a website. This area also covers technology for online worship.
- 3. Consultants:** With funding from this area, a church would be able to pay someone to come into their church, work with their people on their problems, and recommend strategies and programs to get going in the right direction.
- 4. Programs/Training/Strategies:** This area deals with getting a Session and congregation up and working - or at least the tools with which to begin. There are many programs for church redevelopment, revitalization and evangelism, so these funds may be available for a church to purchase those materials.
- 5. Worship:** Much has been said in recent years about change in liturgy, music and worship. A church may also need money to research contemporary liturgy in order to write their own. A consultant might be called in for that as well.
- 6. Areas Not Funded:** Due to the lack of sufficient funds to assist all churches, the Special Committee agreed that grants will not be given for capital improvements to buildings and attachments or for personnel, other than fees for consultants.

Conditions Applying to the Grant

1. The Session receiving grant funds will agree that one or more members of that church will share the experiences with the congregation in its Revitalization and Redevelopment Program with the Presbytery and/or other congregations.
2. Grant funds will be expended within 12 months from the date of receipt, and any funds not so expended will be returned to the Presbytery (extensions may be granted if necessary).
3. The congregation will provide Presbytery, at the end of the grant period, evidence of the use of grant funds, including copies of invoices, checks, etc.