

ANDERSON DISTRICT COMMITTEE FOR CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

APPLICATION FOR TWENTY PERCENT FUNDS

This application is designed for congregations seeking to attain substantial growth, and needing outside support to accomplish this growth. Use this form to share the potential of your congregation. Feel free to send in additional documents. To be considered for funding support, your congregation must present a thorough demographic, community, and local church analysis AND demonstrate a commitment to growth through increased involvement in ministries, growing financial strength, and expanding ministry offerings.

Name of Church _____ Pastor _____

Mailing Address _____

Physical Address of Church _____

Telephone _____

I. MINISTRY PLAN

1. What does your church understand its mission in the world to be?

2. Describe a current ministry (or ministries) within your church and the ways it is transforming lives both within your congregation and out in your community.

3. Describe how your church has successfully sustained ongoing ministries while adding new efforts in the past.

4. Is there support to sustain your current ministries AND enthusiasm for this new initiative?

5. Congregational Development hopes this initiative will bring growth in your church through increased engagement in its ministries. How is your congregation prepared to be in ministry with new people?

6. If your church has completed Forward Focus or a similar program, how does this proposed initiative relate to the outcome of that discernment process and fit within the vision of the church? If your church has not participated in Forward Focus or a similar program, is your church willing to?

II. INITIATIVE DESCRIPTION & CONGREGATIONAL SUPPORT

- 1. Describe the initiative fully, giving the essential details here and attaching further explanation as needed. Please include any supporting documents (ex: floor plan, if building).

2. Total cost of initiative \$ _____ Cash on hand dedicated to this effort \$ _____

- 3. How much money will your church raise by the end of this initiative or within next 12 months (if other than a building)? How will this money be raised? If a loan is required, include amount of loan, terms and payments.

4. Do you have the full support of the church's leadership? _____

III. CHURCH DATA

Date Organized _____ Present Membership _____ Number of Households _____

Average Worship Attendance for last 6 months _____

Name & distance to nearest United Methodist Church _____

Church Budget Previous Three years:

Year _____ Budget _____ Total Income _____

Year _____ Budget _____ Total Income _____

Year _____ Budget _____ Total Income _____

Percentage Apportionments paid this year _____ as of (date) _____

Statistical information from the previous three years:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Members</u>	<u>Average Attendance</u>	<u>Small Group Attendance</u>	<u>Apportionment</u>	<u>Apportionment Percent Paid</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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IV. CERTIFICATION OF APPROVAL

The Administrative Council of _____ United Methodist Church requests a grant of \$ _____ for the above initiative.

Pastor

Chair, Administrative Council

District Superintendent