MISSION AND OUTREACH GRANT
FUNDING GUIDELINES

Grant applications from organizations are requested in October of each year. They are reviewed in November by the M+O Ministry Team for recommendation at our annual all-church meeting in January. There should be a liaison to the organization who is a church member. If funded, the organization will be notified in the spring and provided details of the grant.

Mission and Outreach Ministry Team Guidelines
1. UCC Norwell strives to establish a balance between local, national and international organizations
2. Preference will be given to organizations that provide "hands-on" mission activities
3. It is important that each organization has a direct liaison with UCC Norwell
4. UCC Norwell funding applications are for one year; applications for new and existing activities/programs will need to be submitted annually
5. Agencies that are funded are asked to provide a progress report of how the funding was used

Mission and Outreach Project Selection Guidelines
The types of projects and activities that UCC Norwell funds include, but are not limited to:

1. 501(c)(3) organizations that support our core values and mission and do not discriminate against race, religion, creed, gender, sexual orientation and national origin
2. UCC denominational endeavors (e.g., OCWM, start-up churches, emergency support)
3. Organizations that provide advocacy for social justice issues (e.g., hunger, homelessness, racial injustice, domestic violence, poverty) and the environment
4. Individual scholarships for recognized UCC Norwell activities
5. Seed money for projects that fall within M & O funding guidelines

UCC Norwell will not fund:
- Fundraising activities/capital campaigns
- Research
- Governmental agencies
- Individuals
- Loans
- Political parties