

# Pittsburgh Presbytery

## 2011 Enhancement Grant Application



The completed application should include the following:

1. Session approval (this page)
2. Church information section
3. Narrative section
4. Copy of 2009 church budget and current financial statement

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** If you do not hear from a staff or ACT Team member by May 14, 2010 that your application has been received for consideration, please call Cindy Miller at 412-323-1440 X 321.

The entire application was presented, read and approved by Session on (date)

Name (or signature if possible) of Moderator or Clerk

Church Contact Person for this Grant

Church Name

Total Amount Requested

Purpose of Grant (identifying phrase only; details on page 3)

One (1) electronic copy and one (1) hard copy of the completed packet are to be submitted to:

Cindy Miller

Pittsburgh Presbytery

901 Allegheny Avenue

Pittsburgh, PA 15233

(412) 323-1400 x 321

[cmiller@pghpresbytery.org](mailto:cmiller@pghpresbytery.org)

(Please contact Cindy if you are unable to submit an electronic copy.)

**Deadline: April 30, 2010**

***This is a firm deadline! No applications will be received after this date.***

***Churches are ONLY eligible to receive Enhancement Grants for two consecutive years. (Churches may apply for an exception to this rule with an explanation of how this money is critical to the ongoing work of reaching people for Christ in their community.)***

If you have any questions please call your pastor to the presbytery:

### Small Churches

Rev. Carol Divens Roth (412-323-1400, ext. 316)

### Medium and Large Churches

Rev. Dr. Doug Portz (412-323-1400, ext. 318)

Administrative Commission for Transformation (ACT) members:

Rev. Elizabeth Broschart

Elder Jane Gieske

Pastor Bob Henry

Rev. Dr. Karl McDonald

Elder Sylvia Nanji

Rev. Dr. Doug Portz, Presbytery staff

Rev. Carol Divens Roth, Presbytery staff

Rev. Larry Ruby

Rev. Marsha Sebastian, Chair

Rev. Mike Wilson

Elder Mary Yearsley

## Church Information Section

Date Church PIN #

Church Name

Address

Phone Fax

E-mail

Pastor

Clerk of Session Phone

Church Contact Phone

Size of grant requested for 2011 (\$5,000 maximum)

Funding for Enhancement Grants comes from Presbytery mission giving.

*Per Capita paid for the last 3 years:*

2009 2008 2007

*Mission giving to Presbytery for the last 3 years:*

2009 2008 2007

*Other mission giving for the last 3 years:*

2009 2008 2007

Amounts of Presbytery funding for the last five years:

2009 2008 2007

2006 2005

*Churches benefiting from Enhancement Grants are asked to consider mission donations to ACT in the future so other churches may benefit from this support*

Numerical Growth of the Congregation	2007	2008	2009	2010 (goal)
Average Worship Attendance				
Church Membership				
Average Church School Attendance				
People directly served in mission				

## **Narrative Section**

*(Please use additional pages as necessary.)*

1. How does your congregation bring others to Jesus Christ? What is the evidence of your success in this area?
2. How does your congregation participate in mission?
3. Describe the worship experiences offered by your congregation. How have they been instrumental in bringing people to Christ and nurturing them in their spiritual lives?
4. Describe how you have challenged your congregation to be faithful stewards.
5. Funding comes from each congregation's active participation in presbytery's mission through shared benevolence. Describe your congregation's commitment to funding Pittsburgh Presbytery's mission.
6. Describe the role of prayer in your congregation.
7. What objectives do you have for the future?
8. What barriers stand in the way of your congregation bringing people to Christ, offering vibrant worship, and participating in mission?
9. For what would you use this grant?
10. Is your congregation engaged in a partnership with another congregation? If so, what is the nature of the partnership and how has it had an impact on your ministry?
11. Is there any additional information the Transformation Commission should have?

## Follow-up Section

We agree to provide the following information at the end of the grant year.

1. What was the purpose for which the grant money was awarded?
2. How was the money specifically used? (Example: If the money was awarded to purchase media equipment, what equipment was purchased and how is it being used?)
3. What impact did this have on helping your church reach out to the community? (We would appreciate feedback on specific numbers when possible. Example: If your grant was awarded to start an After School Program, how many children are participating in the program?)

In addition to evaluating the effectiveness of this grant, we hope to highlight for the presbytery some of the good ministry these grants have helped make possible. We would like to share the joy of God's work among us through the ministries these grants have supported.