

**RON FASSETT FUND FOR JUSTICE
GRANT APPLICATION**

1. Applicant _____
2. Address _____
3. Phone () _____ Fax () _____
4. Email address _____
5. Contact person _____
6. Contact's phone () _____ & Email _____
7. Conference or community agencies with which your request is related: _____

8. Total amount requested from the Ron Fasset Fund for Justice: _____
9. Criteria:
 - a. Is the project affiliated with a UMC in the West Michigan Conference? __ Yes __ No
 - b. Are the priorities consistent with the *U.M. Book of Discipline* and the *Social Principles*?
__ Yes __ No In what way? _____

10. Narrative: Attach no more than 2 pages that explain:
 - a. The reasons you are requesting this amount of money
 - b. Your group's mission and vision statement
 - c. The justice-related purpose to be addressed by the project for which you seek funding
 - d. The outcomes you hope to achieve and your method of evaluating them
 - e. What other partners are involved? What are their roles?
 - f. Your long-term strategies for viability / sustainability
11. Budget information: please include the budget of both projected income and expenses relative to your project or proposal.

Grants will be awarded based on need, viability / sustainability of the project, and the availability of funds, as determined by the Trustees of U M Metropolitan Ministry of Greater Grand Rapids. Following a review of the request for funds, the Trustees will vote on the disbursement of funds to the project.

- a. If the request is approved, the Trustees will inform the applicant and direct that a check be written to the requesting source at a time deemed appropriate by the Trustees.*
- b. If the request is denied, the Trustees will notify the applicant in writing and, when possible, identify the reasons for refusal and the conditions under which the applicant may re-submit the request.*

Please mail this form, with narrative and and budget information, to Metro Ministry, 227 E. Fulton St., Suite #3102, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 OR email to susan@grmetroministry.org.

RON FASSETT FUND FOR JUSTICE
CRITERIA FOR DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS
West Michigan Conference

Grants will be considered for justice-related purposes within the West Michigan Conference of the United Methodist Church, consistent with the *U.M. Book of Discipline* and our *Social Principles*.

Grants will be based on need, the viability / sustainability of the purpose, and the availability of funds.

Applicants may be individuals, congregations, or community agencies. Funds may be approved for new / emerging projects, existing / viable projects, and Metro-initiated projects. Application forms may be obtained from the website www.grmetroministry.org or the Metro office, 207 E. Fulton St., Suite #3102, Grand Rapids, MI, and may be submitted online (susan@grmetroministry.org) or in paper form.

The amount available for annual disbursement will be proposed by the Trustees of UM Metropolitan Ministry of Greater Grand Rapids and determined by vote of the Board of Directors. An accounting of the income / disbursements will be given to them by the Trustees at the Annual Meeting. It is recommended that annual disbursements of the Fund not exceed the sum total of interest earned plus 5% of the principal amount of the previous fiscal year.

Funding applications will be considered quarterly. If funding is awarded, an update of the project's effectiveness, viability and sustainability will be expected by the Trustees after one year. There is a format for that report available at both the Metro Ministry office and on its website.