

The mission of the Kansas Methodist Foundation (“KMF”) is to empower faithful people, churches, and organizations to imagine the possibilities for ministry and turn them into reality.

KMF is offering a limited number of one-time (one-to-one) matching grants, ranging from \$500 - \$5,000 to **Kansas Methodist churches and organizations** to advance ministries across our state, especially in ways that are **creative, innovative, and new**. Grant applications are due to the KMF office by **April 1, 2026**. **The Program/ Ministry must take place between June 1, 2026, and May 31, 2027**. Only one application per church/organization will be accepted.

Grants are made possible by KMF’s Pathways for Discipleship Funds. The Pathways for Discipleship Funds are supported by generous donors through endowed, legacy funds that provide matching grants to churches and organizations to support ministries in the broader connections of our church and community. They are gifts that will continue to make disciples of Jesus Christ and transform the world around us.

KMF offers grants from the following Pathways for Discipleship Funds:

**Children/Youth Program Fund**

This pathway fund provides grants for all aspects of programming for children, youth, and young adult ministries. This includes the development of new, unique programs to attract children, youth, and young adults to the church through a local church, district, campus ministry, or conference experiences. This fund may assist camping and campus ministry leadership development or training.

**Ministry and Outreach Grant Fund**

This pathway fund provides ministry grants that will expand the missional outreach of the church. These grants will be for programming, outreach ministry requests, and mission trips. (This fund will not be used for brick-and-mortar requests.)

**Justice Ministries**

This pathway provides grants for programs focused on healing racial divisions, increasing equity among God’s children, encouraging inclusion, and broadening people’s understanding of diversity and bias.

**Leadership Education Fund**

This pathway fund provides support for education and leadership development of clergy and lay leaders. This fund may also assist in providing training for a church, network, or regional gathering.

Grant applications will be reviewed by KMF’s Board of Trustees. KMF reserves the right to reject in whole or in part any grant application that it deems to be incomplete or not in accordance with the mission and policies set forth by KMF. Since KMF is looking for innovative and new ministries, your grant application will be evaluated accordingly.

For questions, please contact the KMF office at 620-664-9623 or [info@kansasmethodistfoundation.org](mailto:info@kansasmethodistfoundation.org).



## Kansas Methodist Foundation Pathways for Discipleship Grant Application

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Church/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Grant Type Requested:

- Children and Youth
- Ministry and Outreach
- Justice Ministries
- Leadership Education

Name of Program/Project: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: KS Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the amount requested from KMF (grants range from \$500-\$5,000): \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
This amount must be matched by your church/organization.

Summarize the project the grant will support:

Has the church/organization applied for other grants for this program?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain:

Has the church/organization received a grant previously from KMF?  Yes  No

If yes, what is the most recent year you received the grant? Please explain when and the use of those funds or program name (attach additional pages, if necessary):

Is this a new project, ministry, or training?  Yes  No

If no, please share how long the program has been going on, how the program is being expanded (new dimension), how the grant will help the program be self-sustaining, and what new aspects there are. Reminder, that KMF is looking for innovative and new ministries.:

Has this project been implemented previously?  Yes  No

If yes, what is new or innovative in your proposal?

Has this project been approved by the Church Council or equivalent body?  Yes  No

If yes, when was the project approved? If no, please explain:

Please share the following: (attach additional pages, if necessary)

1. A narrative with details about the new or expanded ministry or training including purpose, plan, and how it will impact the church and community.

2. Mission and/or Vision Statement.

3. Timeline of ministry or training.

4. Itemized Budget (Please include details of all expenses and sources of funding). An example of a budget can also be found [here](#).

**Example:**

Income	Amount
KS Methodist Foundation grant	500
Local church/organization match of KMF	500
KS Health Foundation	1,000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>2,000</b>
Expense	Amount
Operating Expense	920
Marketing	1,000
Materials	80
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>2,000</b>

Please provide your budget below or include as an attachment.

Income	Amount
KMF matching grant	
<b>Total Income</b>	
Expense	
<b>Total Expense</b>	

5. Please provide information on how the ministry and the grant would be publicized.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. If not a United Methodist church/organization, how is your ministry related to the Methodist movement?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. Is there any other information that you wish to share with KMF?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8. Will this ministry be implemented without the help from this grant? Why or why not?

**By submitting this application, the church/organization agrees to provide KMF updates on the grant project and allows KMF to publish the church/organization's name and grant purpose in KMF publications.**

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Pastor/Executive Director Name *(Please print)*

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Pastor/Executive Director Signature

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Date

Completed applications must be received **by April 1, 2026**. To submit your application, please email to [info@kansasmethodistfoundation.org](mailto:info@kansasmethodistfoundation.org) or mail to KMF.  
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