

## Capital District Grant Programs

Annually, the Capital District accepts applications for two grant programs.

**Action Support grants** come from the District Board of Missions budget, and the amount available every year is contingent upon apportionments being paid. These grants are for outreach ministries to relieve human suffering and for the establishment of new and creative forms of such outreach within the district.

The review committee gives priority to

- Ministries tied directly to United Methodist churches in the Capital District or to initiatives of the District itself
- Ministries that address a critical and/or unique need in their mission field
- New and expanding ministries or established ministries that are actively seeking outside community and funding partners, but have few large donor or governmental grant options
- Ministries that demonstrate substantial buy-in from their local congregations, as appropriate, including funding and volunteer, advisory, and administrative support
- Funding for program costs versus staff and administrative costs

**Juanita Peterson Fund grants** are to facilitate projects and programs for women and children that are sponsored by the Capital District or any other United Methodist church in the Capital District. Juanita Peterson, a long-time member of Asbury UMC in Austin, established this fund in her will.

**The annual application period usually opens in March. The application deadline for both grant programs is approximately six weeks after the opening of the application period.**

Each spring, the district's Action Support Committee carefully considers all applications for both programs and makes recommendations. The Capital District Board of Trustees approves the Juanita Peterson Fund recommendations. The Capital District Board of Missions executive committee approves recommendations for Action Support grants.

Note: If you are re-applying for funding from either of these programs, you are required to submit an end-of-year report on the current funding along with your application.

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