

# Shenandoah Presbytery

## Committee on Mission & Outreach (CMO)

### Criteria for Global Mission Grants

Grants for international mission activities are available to congregations and related partners that are initiating specific activities or supporting established, long-term projects in the global mission field. These grants are mainly supported by the Bernice Hiatt and Sam Ramsey Global Mission Funds.

The Shenandoah Presbytery Global Mission Funds are administered through the Committee on Mission and Outreach (CMO) and support the international mission efforts of congregations and related organizations within Shenandoah Presbytery. Please consider the following criteria when filling out the grant application:

- Grants will be awarded for both new and existing international mission efforts that demonstrate a commitment to seeking fresh and vibrant ways of serving Jesus Christ in the world. For example, an early use of this fund was toward the establishment of a teaching relationship with the Illubabor Bethel Synod through our Ethiopian Partnership.
- Grants might also be used to support the exploration and establishment of a new mission effort for a particular congregation or group of congregations.
- There is no limit to the amount that may be requested; however, grants will be awarded based on the number of grant requests received and available resources each year.
- Grant applications are to be reviewed and approved by the Session of the sponsoring congregation and attested to by the Clerk of Session.
- Requests should be submitted about three months prior to anticipated use.
- Ordinarily, grants should be used within one year of receipt.
- **Deadlines** for submitting applications are: **March 1** and **October 1**.
- CMO can usually review and approve grants within 30 days of receipt.
- CMO values good stewardship of presbytery resources and the opportunity to join in the celebration of mission efforts. Therefore, recipients are required to provide CMO a written summary of the project within one year of receiving funds.
- Digital applications are encouraged and can be emailed to [bookkeeper@shenpres.org](mailto:bookkeeper@shenpres.org)
- Print applications can be mailed to: Shenandoah Presbytery, P.O. Box 1146, Harrisonburg, VA 22803, Attn: CMO.