

# Global Ministries Fund Guidelines for Scholarship

The Oregon-Idaho Conference Global Ministries Team has established a process and a budget to offer scholarships for short-term mission trips.

## Application Information

1. The purpose of the Global Ministries Fund is to help and encourage members of United Methodist Churches in the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference to participate in short-term Volunteer in Mission trips with priority given to first time missionaries and young adults with limited funds.
2. Scholarships can pay up to 25% of the cost of a mission trip, as noted below, with the balance of the funding to be paid by the applicant through personal funds and/or fundraising. Consideration will be made in reviewing costs of the mission trip and team projects.
  - First time missionaries, in country, up to 25% of the trip but not to exceed \$300.
  - First time missionaries, international, not to exceed \$500.
3. Applicants will be expected to provide a team budget (to include personal and team costs) and evidence of fundraising. Explain how funds will be used and what personal costs the team member will be responsible for.
4. Within one month following the mission trip, the applicant is asked to write a short summary of the trip, how the trip impacted the lives of the people encountered and how the trip impacted his or her life.

## Policy

1. This scholarship will only be considered for UMVIM trips with trained leaders, registered through the UMVIM Coordinator.
2. This scholarship cannot be received as cash or given directly to an individual. Payment will be paid to the sponsoring/sending church on your behalf.
3. If payment is made and the trip is cancelled or you are not able to participate, the scholarship must be returned to Global Ministries.
4. This is a 'one time' award. *Exception: if the trip is cancelled or you are not able to participate, you can submit application for another UMVIM trip.*
5. In order to be eligible for this scholarship:
  - You must be participating in a Volunteer in Mission trip,
  - You must be attending or have attended a United Methodist Church in the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference.
6. It is recommended that each team limit their scholarship request to no more than four missionaries.

## Application Process

1. Complete the Global Ministries Fund Application, providing supporting documents and information that you believe will be useful to the committee in consideration for the scholarship.
2. It is recommended that applications be submitted at least 3-months before the mission team is scheduled to depart.
3. Applications can be submitted electronically (preferred) or by mail to:

Louise Kienzle, Oregon-Idaho UMVIM Coordinator  
P.O. Box 901  
Hermiston, OR 97838  
[umvim@umoi.org](mailto:umvim@umoi.org)
4. Applications will be reviewed by the Oregon-Idaho UMVIM Coordinator, Oregon-Idaho Mission Secretary and Oregon-Idaho Coordinator for Mission and Ministry.
5. Applicants will be informed of the receipt of their application. As soon as a decision is made, the applicant will be informed of the outcome.