

August 25, 2025

Dear friend of the Foundation,

We invite you to consider participation in a grant program designed to support the community in a meaningful mission.

Since 2019, our community grant program, established by First United Methodist Church Foundation, has shone the light of Christ in the community and engaged others in meaningful mission through funding:

- Projects designed to help and empower marginalized populations in our community.
- Projects which address basic human needs – for example, projects to alleviate hunger, provide clean water, and address other environmental needs; to combat homelessness; to create safe environments for children, and the like; and,
- Projects with matching funds or additional sources of financial support.

The above list identifies priorities; however, all grant applications will be reviewed by the Foundation's grant committee for consideration.

**Qualified applicants are:**

- Individuals with qualified projects;
- Nonprofits addressing critical needs; and
- Individuals or organizations with matching funding for qualified projects.

**Timeline:** Grant requests must be received before October 1, 2025. Grantees will be notified in November, with a check presentation slated in early December.

We have enclosed a guide and a grant application form. Please contact Rev. Bradford or the Foundation director, Abbie Cox, at [acox@fsfumc.org](mailto:acox@fsfumc.org) or by calling 479-462-1440 with any questions.

Thank you for all you do to make our community a better place.



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