

CARMA MOHLER FUND TO ALLEVIATE HUNGER IOWA UNITED METHODIST FOUNDATION

2301 Rittenhouse Street Des Moines, IA 50321

...for I was hungry and you gave me food....

Matthew 25:35

Carma Mohler established this fund because she had a passion for feeding the hungry and wanted to alleviate the problem of hunger. The Iowa United Methodist Foundation seeks applications from United Methodist-affiliated groups or nonprofit organizations based in Iowa that are addressing hunger through systemic interventions or programs providing immediate relief from hunger.

Guidelines:

Priority will go to projects that provide a systemic intervention, such as:

- Community gardening
- Food or cooking education, such as eating healthy on a budget
- Other food-related projects that reap benefits beyond the term of the project.

Other eligible applications include:

- Food distribution, including pantries
- Meal programs

Projects should target hunger in Iowa or internationally. The IUMF places priority on projects that encourage community participation and response to hunger in a particular area with a volunteer or grassroots approach, and to projects where a small grant can provide a significant impact on the project budget.

Eligibility Requirements:

Generally, the United Methodist Foundation will only fund projects that are affiliated with the Iowa United Methodist Church. Eligible applicants include:

- Nonprofit organizations (generally those with a historic connection to the UMC)
- Church groups, including youth groups or social concerns committees
- Informal community groups that work through a United Methodist Church or a nonprofit organization for purposes of the project.

Organizations may not receive funding from the Carma Mohler grant more than two consecutive years.

Deadline for Application: Postmarked October 1 Annually

Funding Begins: February 1 Annually

Total Funding Available: \$5,000 to \$7,000; Grants typically range from \$1,000 to \$2,000.

Submit application with all requested material to: Iowa United Methodist Foundation 2301 Rittenhouse Street Des Moines, IA 50321

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Deadline: October 1 Annually

Application Title:	
Applicant Organization:	
Contact Person, Phone Number, Email:	
Executive Director:	
Board of Directors Chairperson:	
Address:	
City, State, ZIP:	
Tax ID #:	
Amount Requested: \$	Total Project Budget: \$

We certify that all information included in this application and all attachments present a fair and complete description of our organization and how this grant will be used. *If we receive funding, we agree to provide a report showing how funds were utilized and an evaluation of the success of the program **no later than September 1 of the award year.***

Signatures:

Board of Directors President or Chair

Date

President or Executive Director

Date

Please provide concise responses to the following essay questions: (2 page maximum)

1. Describe the project for which you seek funding. What are your goals? Who will benefit from the project? Please specify geographic region covered by proposal.
2. What activities or expenses will be covered by this grant?
3. How will you know if the project is a success?
4. How do you plan to fund this project in the next 2-3 years?

Please attach the following:

1. Confirmation of charitable nonprofit status, either:
 - a. Copy of the Iowa United Methodist Journal page that verifies inclusion as an Iowa United Methodist Church (grants to church-affiliated groups will be paid to the church), OR
 - b. Copy of IRS determination letter showing 501(c)(3) nonprofit status.
2. Mission Statement (organizational body and/or hunger-focused group)
3. Project budget, including pending and committed
4. Two letters of recommendation

To submit your application, please compile the information in the following order: cover page with signatures, essay questions (2 page maximum), attachments. Please use paper clips or binder clips – no staples, also please do not include the guidelines page with your application packet.

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