



CARMA MOHLER GRANT CRITERIA

...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. 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 Foundation will 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 materials to: Iowa United Methodist Foundation,
2301 Rittenhouse Street, Des Moines, IA 50321**