

# The Presbytery of Los Ranchos Grants and Loans at a Glance

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## Congregational and Partnership Development Grants

Purpose: To stimulate missional partnerships and networks by investing in experiments that facilitate:

**Congregational Development/Redevelopment:** Used with other monies to finance new church development grants, existing congregation transformation grants, and specialized ministry grants. Also, can be used to help churches with matching funds for PILP loans (Presbyterian Investment Loan Program). Can be used for moving and set-up funds for New Church Developments, and deposits for rental space for new projects (Limit: \$25,000).

**Partnership Development:** Used to bring churches or organizations together to engage their communities through evangelism, outreach, ministries of compassion, social justice, peacemaking, Christian formation and discipleship, racial-ethnic ministries, and worship (Limit: \$25,000).

## Worldwide Mission Partnership (WMP) Grants

Purpose: To encourage and facilitate global and local mission activities.

Criteria: Activities should follow the priorities of PC(USA) mission, namely:

1. Strengthen the Church's capacity to survive, to thrive, and to witness to the good news of Jesus Christ.
2. Address the root causes of poverty including the negative effects of economic globalization on the poorest and most vulnerable in every society, paying special attention to women and children.
3. Engage in reconciliation amidst cultures of violence

Limit: \$5,000

## Building and Deferred Maintenance Loans (from Sale of Church Property Fund)

Loans are granted through a process administered jointly by the Strategic Coordinating Team and the Trustees.

Purpose: The SCT will help the congregation focus on how the building improvements will advance their mission priorities and the Trustees will help with evaluating the congregation's financial capabilities.

Criteria and Limit: The normal financial assistance will consist of 1/3 grant and 2/3<sup>rd</sup> loan, up to a maximum of \$99,000 for the project.

**Leadership Training Grants:** Preparing leaders for missional churches by making learning opportunities and workshops available to congregations. Churches/individuals may provide these opportunities, or they may coordinate leadership from outside the presbytery. This grant also provides money to help local congregations offer internships to pastoral candidates under care and help candidates with funding for their pastoral education (Limit: \$2,000).

**HOW TO APPLY GRANTS AND LOANS:** Applications are available on line at [www.losranchos.org](http://www.losranchos.org). QUESTIONS? Contact Tom Cramer at [tcramer@losranchos.org](mailto:tcramer@losranchos.org), (714) 956-3691 xt. 112, or Bonita Carr at [bcarr@losranchos.org](mailto:bcarr@losranchos.org), (714) 956-3691xt. 122.