

M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Grant Application Guidelines

Mission Statement and Beliefs:

The mission of the M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Committee is to promote and support ecological stewardship of natural resources. We believe that the church has a responsibility for protecting God's creation, seeking environmental justice, encouraging conservation, promoting education, and restoring eco-systems.

Eligible Applicants:

Savannah Presbytery's M. K. Pentecost Ecology Fund grants may be awarded to projects that support the presbytery's ministry of environmental justice and ecological stewardship of natural resources. The funds are to be used for promoting the support of conservation efforts, for education and studies in key environmental issues of endangered ecosystems, for promoting the protection of wetlands, for controlling erosion or other destructive forces, for restricting activities in construction which damage the environment, for eliminating the useless destruction of marine life and/or wild life, for maintaining beach areas for responsible relaxation and refreshment, and for controlling water quality. In general these funds are to be used for the restoration and preservation of ecosystems so that the church's ministry and response to ecological justice and stewardship of natural resources can be maintained.

Dates and Deadlines:

Applications must be received no later than **April 1**.

The M. K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Committee meets in May to review applications and make grant awards.

The committee meets again in December to review reporting documents from grant recipients.

Applications:

Applications should be submitted to the M. K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Committee at the address below. After your application is received, the committee coordinator will contact you to arrange a site visit, if appropriate. You may also be asked to send a representative to present your proposal at the May meeting of the committee.

Funding Criteria and application instructions:

- A. First preference will be given to those ecological concerns that affect the Atlantic coast of the states of GA and SC.
- B. Applications should demonstrate the need and benefit to the community.
- C. Funds may be used to establish new projects, expand existing projects, or replace funds currently being used on existing projects.
- D. Preference may be given to applicants with 501(C)(3) non-profit status. Proof of status must be provided. (One copy is sufficient.)
- E. Applications may be submitted for up to \$5,000. In the application description and proposed budget, indicate whether or not partial funding would be acceptable
- F. Evidence must be given that matching money has been secured for the money requested from the M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund. 100% matching funds have priority over all other grants.
- G. **We changed our application format in 2008. Please read carefully.** Please provide a copy via e-mail in a PDF file format of the application form, the description pages, and the proposal budget. Please mail one copy of the signed covenant from the guidelines page to the Savannah Presbytery at the address at the bottom of the page. Your application will only be considered complete when we receive both parts, PDF file via e-mail and signed covenant via postal service.

Funding Restrictions:

- A. Funds will not be granted to reduce deficits.
- B. Funds will not be granted to provide endowment funds.
- C. Funds will not be granted to replace items currently budgeted.
- D. Funds will not be granted to individuals.
- E. Funds will not be granted to provide office equipment and supplies if not related to the grant project.
- F. Funds will not be granted toward beach renewal.

Covenant:

With the award of a grant, a covenant is understood between the grantee and the M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Committee as to the use of the funds as described in the application. **The covenant requires that all funds be properly accounted for and that a reporting document be filed with the Savannah Presbytery office by November 15 of each year for review at the December meeting of the M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Committee.**

***I have read and understood these guidelines.
I accept the covenant agreement.

Signature of person responsible

Savannah Presbytery M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Committee
3590 Darien Hwy., Suite 8, Brunswick, GA 31525

912-264-1997/800-548-5534/FAX: 912-262-6815 email: ecology@savannahpresbytery.org
Contact person: M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Committee Coordinator





Savannah Presbytery M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Grant Application



Applicant should refer to grant application guidelines and covenant agreement on the back of this application. Criteria and details on how to submit the application are listed there.

Applicant/ Organization/Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone #: _____

Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____

Applicant is determined to be a 501(C)(3) organization by IRS
If yes, submit proof of 501 (C)(3) status Yes _____ No _____

Other designation (describe): _____

Project Title: _____

Grant Amount Requested: \$ _____

Submit a proposal budget showing matching funds. See guidelines for funding criteria.

Date Of Project: Begin: _____ End: _____

Location Of Project: _____

Purpose Of Project:

(This should be a brief general statement about the reason for this project.)

Description Of Project:

(Use a separate page [no more than two] to explain the plan for the project. Include a statement of the problem or need, the main objectives, an action plan, the anticipated outcome or result, and the plan for evaluation.)

Signature (s): _____

Contact Person/Date

Board President or Chairperson/ Date