

M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund

Grant Application Guidelines for 2021 – Student Research

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 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 to maintain the church's ministry of ecological justice and stewardship of natural resources.

Dates and Deadlines:

Applications and all supporting documents must be received *no later* than **April 1, 2021**.

The M. K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Committee meets in May to review applications and make grant awards. Grants are generally given in June, so include summer addresses in application. The committee meets again in January to review reporting documents.

Applications:

Applications should be submitted to the M. K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Committee at the email address below. You may be asked to be available by conference call/multi-media to present your proposal at the committee's May 21, 2021 meeting.

Funding Criteria and application instructions:

- First preference will be given to those ecological concerns that affect the Atlantic coast of the states of GA and SC.
- Applications should demonstrate the need and benefit to the community.
- Funds may be used to establish new projects, expand existing projects, or replace funds currently being used on existing projects. As of May 2009, funds may not be used to cover indirect costs.
- Applications may be submitted for up to \$2,000. In the application description and proposed budget, indicate whether or not partial funding would be acceptable
- 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.
- Please provide a copy via e-mail in a PDF file format of the application form, the description pages, the proposal budget, a faculty endorsement/recommendation, and a one-page lay summary.
- Graduate Student Applicants must have Faculty Advisor written endorsement presented with application. Grants will be awarded to school, not individual project and Faculty Advisor will be responsible for reporting documents.
- Graduate Student Applicants must include a brief (less than one page in addition to required project description) lay summary of the project that would be **appropriate for a non-academic audience** explaining the ecological benefits of this research.

Funding Restrictions:

- Funds will not be granted to reduce deficits.
- Funds will not be granted to provide endowment funds.
- Funds will not be granted to fund salaries.
- Funds will not be granted to individuals.
- Funds will not be granted to provide office equipment and supplies if not directly related to the grant project. Please detail how any office equipment is necessary for this project.



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: hermina@susiekingtaylorinstitute.org

Contact person: Hermina Glass-Hill, M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Committee Coordinator





Savannah Presbytery M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund 2021 Grant Application – Student Research



Applicant should refer to grant guidelines for criteria and details on how to submit the application.

Applicant & School Name: _____

Name/Organization as you would like it printed on award check: _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Student: _____ Phone #: _____

E-Mail: _____ Advisor: _____

Have you included a reference from your advisor?	Yes	No	Have you included a lay summary indicating the ecological benefits of this research for a non-academic audience?	Yes	No
--	-----	----	---	-----	----

Project Title: _____

Grant Amount Requested (up to \$2000): \$ _____

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.)

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 end of year meeting of the M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund Committee.**
***I have read and understood these guidelines. I accept the covenant agreement.

Signature (s): _____
Student/Date
Faculty Advisor/ Date