**Innovation Fund:**

**Emerging Gospel Community Grant Application – Year 2**

**Working Draft Template**

***Basic Information***

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| **Name of Ministry:** |  |
| **Ministry Leader:** |  |
| **Ministry Leader’s Title:** |  |
| **Ministry Leader’s Email:** |  |
| **Primary Contact for Grant:** |  |
| **Contact’s Relationship to Ministry:** |  |
| **Contact’s Email:** |  |
| **Phone Number:** |  |
| **Ministry Mailing Address:** |  |
| **Ministry Website / Web Presence** |  |
| **Presbytery:** |  |
| **Amount awarded in Year 1:** |  |
| **Grant Identifier** (e.g. EGC-18-01)**:** |  |
| **Amount requested of Synod for Year 2:** |  |

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| **Have you applied for a Presbytery Mission Agency (PMA)****1001 New Worshiping Communities Grant?** |
| **No** | -- |
| **Yes, Seed Grant ($7,500)*** *Status of PMA Seed Grant application:*
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| **Yes, Investment Grant (up to $25,000)*** *Amount requested*
* *Amount received*
* *Is this application for matching funds? (y/n)*
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| **Yes, Growth Grant (up to $25,000)*** *Amount requested*
* *Amount received*
* *Is this application for matching funds? (y/n)*
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| **Have you applied for funding from your presbytery?** |
| **Yes, Investment Grant (up to $25,000)*** *Amount requested of presbytery*
* *Amount received from presbytery*

**No****Not yet** |  |
| **Comments about presbytery funding** (if needed)**:** |  |
| **How else is your presbytery supportive of your work?** |  |

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| **Contact info for a relevant presbytery representative with whom we can talk about your above presbytery connections:** | **Name:** |  |
| **Position:** |  |
| **Phone Number:** |  |
| **Email:** |  |

***How would you describe your ministry in 75 or fewer words?***

***(This summary will be used on the Synod’s website and other similar publications.)***

***(75 words max)***

(your answer here)

***How does this ministry embody the Synod of the Northeast’s values?***

***(E.g. Innovation, diversity, lifting up marginalized voices)***

***(300 words max)***

(your answer here)

***Has your governing structure changed in the past year?***

***(300 words max)***

(your answer here)

***Main Essays***

***If you’ve submitted a PMA grant application:***

***If you have applied for a PMA grant since your Year 1 grant award from the Synod, please attach that application:***

***(Uploaded file)***

***Comments about PMA grant (if needed). (150 words max)***

(your answer here)

***If you have not submitted a PMA grant application:***

***In the time since you were awarded a Year 1 Emerging Gospel Community Grant from the Synod:***

1. ***How has your ministry been? What went well? What challenges did you face?
(300 words max)***

(your answer here)

1. ***What have you been learning? And how has this shaped the way your ministry is evolving?
(300 words max)***

(your answer here)

1. ***What developments do you anticipate in the coming year? What are you curious about? What do you hope to learn or discover?
(300 words max)***

(your answer here)

***Finances***

***Please attach a financial report for your previous fiscal year (or ministry to date) and a budget for the upcoming one. (Please include a full picture of both income and expenditures):***

***(Uploaded files – up to 2)***

(please attach a draft for review, see below for a potential suggested format)

***How do you plan to use your Synod funding if this grant is awarded? (300 words max)***

(your answer here)

***If your financial statements need additional explanation or comment, you may provide it here: (150 words max)***

(your answer here)

***The Synod is only able to provide Emerging Gospel Community grant funding for a maximum of two years. How have you worked to develop alternative sources of income, and/or how do you plan to do this in the coming year? (300 words max)***

(your answer here)

***Final Items***

***If possible, please provide a recent photo that captures your ministry (we’d love to share this with the Synod Commission as we discuss your application):***

***(Uploaded file)***

***Is there anything else we should know?***

(your answer here)

***Suggested Financial Format***

**Financial Plan**

A brief explanation of the financial components of the project.

If new elements are being added to the way you’re conducting your project, please describe how you plan to do so.

A description of what the Synod funds would be used for if a grant is awarded.

Any additional information about anticipated changes in your financial plan beyond the duration of your Innovation Grant if awarded (if relevant), or adjustments should you not receive an Innovation award.

*Note: This is section should be brief. At the very most, one page at the absolute maximum.*

**Financial Overview**

**Income**

Source of Income (pg. #\*) $

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Grants

* Other Received/Anticipated Grants (pg. #\*) $
* Synod of the Northeast (requested) $ #

 **Total $**

**Expenses**

Major Project Category (pg. #\*) $

* Significant sub-category if relevant $
* Significant sub-category if relevant $

Major Project Category (pg. #\*) $ #

 **Total $**

*Note: Please include a full financial picture of your project. The Synod would like to see how an Innovation Grant would fit into the larger framework of your plans, and who else is invested in your work.*

\* If relevant, provide additional detail on following pages for further reference.