

## Statement of Purpose for Funds

Our Presbytery of Arkansas "Unified Mission Emphasis Hunger Funds will be used to interface with the congregations who have an awareness of hunger relief issues and/or hunger relief programs, and who will:

- Organize and support "hands on" hunger projects such as food pantries, soup kitchens, community gardens, and other creative hunger relief ministries;
- Develop strategic alliances with existing hunger relief organizations;
- Work toward sustainability of their projects through the development of sustainable organizations, encouraging volunteerism with responsibility and accountability to presbytery;
- And, who find ways to use presbytery funds, along with volunteer hours, church funds, and other donations to enlarge the number of people who can be fed through programs.

### Further Information about Hunger Fund Grants

Preference will be given to grant requests that are for start-up assistance, as opposed to ongoing support.

In some cases, requests may be made to renew grants for additional years during the Unified Mission Emphasis of Hunger period of 2011-2013. Such renewals will be at the discretion of the Mission Committee based on the availability of funds, the presence of new applications for grants and an evaluation of the effectiveness of program.

## Send Your Application Now!

Each congregation or organization receiving a grant is required to submit to the Mission Committee that year a report detailing the ways grant funds were used, their evaluation of the program or project's effectiveness, and learnings that may be gleaned from the program that might be of use to other congregations engaging in hunger ministries. Submit reports to:

Mission Committee, Presbytery of Arkansas  
c/o Park Hill Presbyterian Church  
3520 JFK Boulevard  
N. Little Rock, Arkansas 72116

*United Mission Hunger Fund Program Grants  
may be requested at any time.*

Requests are reviewed in the order they are received. Grants will be funded as soon as soon as possible. As there is a limited amount of funding available, we encourage you to submit your congregation's application as soon as possible.

For more information, please contact the Mission Committee Moderator:

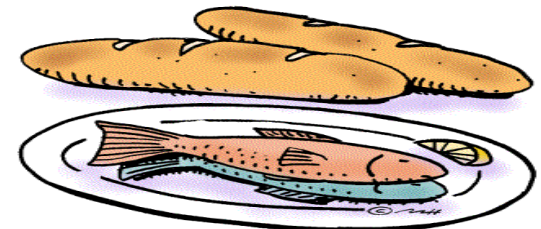
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2011-2013

# Hunger

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## Unified Mission Emphasis Hunger Fund Program Grants 2011-2013

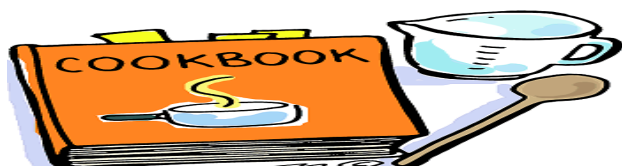
*“I was hungry, and you gave me food...”  
Matthew 25:35*

“Unified Mission Grants” are provided through your Presbytery’s Mission Committee to assist you in beginning and/or enlarging ministries aimed at the alleviation of hunger.

In June of 2010, our Presbytery of Arkansas voted to make Hunger our “Unified Mission Emphasis” for the years of 2011- 2013.

We encourage you and your congregation to be active and creative in starting or growing ministries that help feed hungry children and families and address the root causes of hunger.

*“If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness, and your gloom shall be like the noonday.”  
Isaiah 58:10*



## Projects Considered for Funding

Priority will be given to the following:

- Projects that organize “hands on” hunger relief <sup>1</sup>
- Projects that join forces with other active hunger relief organizations
- Projects that assess needs or develop plans for hunger relief
- Projects that use these funds for matching grants, including but not limited to church, community, and federal grants
- Projects that use volunteer hours as in-kind match for grants
- Projects that promote hunger relief ministry in the media
- Projects that advocate for hunger relief
- Projects whose principle use of the funds is for capital development and not for food purchases<sup>2</sup>
- Projects that provide a space for hunger relief
- Projects that educate people about preservation, preparation, and “hands on” educational models, e.g., nutrition, family size chicken arks, raised gardens, etc.
- Projects that promote leadership from within communities with a view to develop “grass roots” food economies.

1. Food pantries, soup kitchens, community gardens, others
2. Refrigerators, freezers, shelving, office equipment designated only for hunger relief

## Applying for Hunger Program Grants

There is no official application form. Simply send your request, including at least the following information:

1. Name and address of the applying group
2. Contact person, with contact information (e-mail address, cell phone number, etc)
3. Explanation of hunger needs being addressed
4. Description of the new or enlarged ministry and how it will work
5. Approval of your Session and pledge or proof of matching funds
6. The budget for the program or ministry
7. Your commitment to report to the Mission Committee, detailing accomplishments and evaluation of results
8. Willingness to share results of your program or ministry with the Presbytery

Please send information to the Mission Committee

1. e-mail to [presbyhungertaskforce@gmail.com](mailto:presbyhungertaskforce@gmail.com) or
2. Fax to 501-753-3025 or
3. Mail to: Hunger Task Force  
c/o Park Hill Presbyterian Church  
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N. Little Rock, AR 72116