

People in Mission Fund  
Policy

The People in Mission Fund provides a means by which our mission program can interactively share with others and they with us the gospel of Christ in the world on a one to one basis, emphasizing inspiration by the Holy Spirit. Activities are intended to raise the consciousness of the congregation through a long-term program that will foster education and experience in world wide mission.

The People in Mission Fund was established to support global mission activities of First Presbyterian Church of Santa Fe through:

1. Support of church members who wish to expand our understanding of others. do work projects, volunteer in mission, or short term fraternal workers in activities in the US or globally and upon their return interpret their respective experiences to further educate and involve the congregation.
2. Support of representatives of the national and international church to visit our community to share about the work, experiences and challenges in their home situation.

The Fund is to be administered by the Mission Committee with approval of the Session. The Fund is to be maintained separate from the Mission budget of the Church. The balance of the funds should be held in a separate interest-bearing account.

Planning for the uses of the Fund should be considered at the minimum on an annual basis although longer-range projection of potential expenditures should be considered.

Donations to the Fund will be acknowledged to have been received for the restricted purposes of the Fund and may not be reallocated to other programs by the Mission and Social Concerns Committee or the Session.

## Guidelines For Implementing the People in Mission Policy

### Process of Carrying out the Policy

Mission and Social Concern may appoint 3 people to serve on an annual basis on the People in Mission Committee.

The People In Mission Committee is responsible for:

1. Receiving and evaluating applications from individuals in the church for mission experiences.
2. Recommending to the Mission and Social Concerns committee those who will receive financial support.
3. Educating the local church about the People in Mission Program.
4. Encouraging donations to the People In Mission Fund
5. Seeking approval from the Mission and Social Concern Committee for the plans and actions of PIM Committee.
6. Providing an annual report to the Mission and Social Concerns Committee
7. Establishing goals for the use of funds at the minimum of a two-year period.
8. Maintaining records so future committees will have working information of PIM

### The Process Of Application for Funds

1. Applications forms will be available in the Church Office or from PIM Committee members.
2. Applications will be accepted from members of the congregation or those actively involved in the congregation.
3. PIM Committee will consider applications on the basis of
  - a. Need of financial assistance
  - b. Ability of the applicant to furnish a portion of the cost
  - c. Monies available in the fund
  - d. In general financial support will be limited to 1/3 to 1/2 of the cost of the experience
  - e. Goals established by PIM Committee
4. The Pastor, Chairman of Mission and Social Concern and the Chair of the PIM Committee will make final consideration of the application. Their recommendation will be forwarded for approval to the Mission and Social Concerns Committee.

### Qualifications of Applicants

1. Member of this congregation or those actively involved in the congregation. This includes members of local congregation applying for funds for bringing an international or national interpreter of mission to our church.
2. Commitment of the applicant upon return to interpret their experience to the congregation.

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Application Form

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The applicant is welcome to consult with the Chairperson of Mission and Social Concerns Committee, Chairperson of the People in Mission Fund or the Pastor before submitting a proposal for the use of monies from the Fund.

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

2. A statement about the nature of the project and its relationship to expanding the congregation's awareness of mission. (may use back of page or attach a page if necessary)

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3. Explain how this experience will strengthen your faith and contribution to the ministry of the church.

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4. Outline the total cost of the experience and how much of the cost you request from the Fund.

Total Cost of Experience (other than personal expenses) \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount available from other sources (presbytery, synod, family, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
Scholarship amount available from sponsoring agency \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Contribution \_\_\_\_\_  
Requested from People in Mission \_\_\_\_\_

5. Describe how you have raised or attempted to raise funds.

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6. Attach a breakdown of how funds will be applied: transportation, lodging, fees, etc. (In the case of groups how will funds be shared among members)

Transportation \_\_\_\_\_  
Lodging \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Over)

7. How will you seek to share your experiences with the congregation and this community?

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