# **2020 Request for Funding**

### from THE ENDOWMENT FUND of THE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

### The Endowment Trustees encourage projects that provide a visible and enduring testament to those who have donated to the Fund

## **EVALUATION GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA**

The committee evaluates the requests for consistency with the following Charter guidelines:

"The Endowment Fund is created and exists solely for the charitable purposes of the Church with its principle objectives being:

- > The promotion and development of religious, charitable, and educational activities;
- > and/or nonrecurring purposes not regularly budgeted"

The committee uses many criteria in evaluating the project requests such as:

- > Will the project help attract new church members?
- > Will the project promote involvement of church members?
- > Will the project create stakeholders with an investment of time and effort?
- What is the project's likelihood of success?
- Will the project affect multiple generations?
- > Will the project promote stewardship and/or discipleship?
- How much value will the project have compared to the cost?

## ENDOWMENT FUND APPLICATION, APPROVAL AND DISBURSEMENT PROCESS

#### APPLICATION

- Groups, committees and individuals identify needs which Endowment could help fulfill in the coming year. These needs can require project funding for one year or for multiple years.
- Contact person completes Endowment Expenditure Request (form attached) describing the proposed project.
- All expenditure requests are submitted to the chairperson of the Endowment Committee (Tom Good tomgood54@gmail.com) or the church office by Sunday, February 23.
- The chairperson distributes copies of the expenditure requests to the members of the Endowment Committee (and others as appropriate) prior to the review meeting held Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel.
- > The contact person for each request is required to attend the meeting to speak for the request.

### APPROVAL

- The Committee approves all, part or none of the requested funding, within the overall income available from the Endowment Fund for the year.
- > The chairperson submits all Endowment Committee approved projects for approval by the Church Council.
- > The chairperson notifies contact persons of the Church Council determinations.

### DISBURSEMENT

- The chairperson transfers to the Church Treasurer approved funding each quarter based on the timing requested for the projects.
- The funds are deposited as "specials" and the Church Treasurer disburses through the normal voucher process.
- > The sponsoring groups, committees and individuals use the endowment funds to complete their projects.
- Any project money that is not spent is returned to Endowment.

# NORTHVILLE ENDOWMENT EXPENDITURE REQUEST FORM

Please submit to the First United Methodist Church of Northville Endowment Committee Chairperson, Tom Good, at <u>tomgood54@gmail.com</u>, or to the church office.

| Project Title:                           |                       |
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| Sponsor:                                 | Contact Person:       |
| Total Dollars Requested:                 | Phone Number:         |
| Proposed Start Date:                     | Completion Date:      |
| Project Summary with Benchmarks:         |                       |
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| Itemized Project Cost Estimate:          |                       |
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| Information (if applicable):Other        |                       |
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| Endowment Use Category: Date Received:   |                       |
| Religions Charitable Education Other     |                       |
|  | Ily Funded Seed Money |
| Single Year Multi-Year 50/50 Match Other |                       |