



PRESBYTERIAN COMMITTEE ON THE
**Self-Development
of People**

WHAT IS THE SELF-DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY GRANT?

The Self-Development of People (SDOP) program of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) provides small “start-up” grants to informal community groups of seven or more members. Grants may range up to \$2000.

SDOP grants are designed for informal community groups of seven or more whose members are financially underserved and function as self-governing units seeking to improve their own well-being and empowerment.

September 30th deadline submittal date to midohiosdop@gmail.com

Award notification: October

Questions? Email Us:

midohiosdop@gmail.com

Goals of the Grant

- to **organize** with others to make change
- to **design and produce** long term changes in their lives
- to **support** the SDOP core strategies; promoting justice, build solidarity, advance human dignity, and advocate for economic equity
- ensure that project members **own and benefit** directly

Grant Guidelines

- Group members must be from economically or socially underserved communities.
- Group seeks a grant to empower members in a shared concern or project.
- Group must have seven or more individuals with a common interest in addressing economic or social justice issues.

What Should Your Proposal Say?

Describe in detail its goals, the purpose of the project, its objectives and the specific steps the group will take to accomplish the goals. Group members must outline how they will be involved in all stages of the project, and the methods to be used in achieving goals and objectives. It must also specify how those methods align with the SDOP core strategies.

Describe fully the resources in your community of individuals and organizations known to be available to support your project. Indicate any in-kind or other financial resources. Complete form of a balanced income and expenditure budget, listing expected income and expenditures over the funding term of the project.

Be responsible for determining what evaluation will be used at the end of the project. Proposal must honor the SDOP Core Strategies of Promoting Justice, Building stronger communities and seeking economic equity.

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Previously Funded Projects

SDOP Hilltop Highland Youth Garden

SDOP Hilltop Highland Youth Garden offers a diverse, hands-on learning environment for children, giving them the space and guidance to grow their own food. They work with over 350 students a year, and our half-acre garden grows over 3,000 pounds of food annually, all of which is offered to Hilltop neighbors. Westside teens are employed throughout the year to learn gardening, community outreach and leadership skills.



Capital Park Women's Empowerment

The Sewing Cooperative at Capital Park, a community group of refugee Somali women came together to determine how they could move beyond low-paying jobs because of their limited English. They decided upon becoming master seamstresses leading to designing, producing and marketing ethnic designer bags. They marketed their products at summer festivals, contracted with conference groups. They partnered with a brick and mortar international store in Columbus to sell their bags.

Franklin County Youth Council

The Franklin County Youth Council was awarded for a virtual youth movement involving middle and high school students. During the event, they shared the history of the Franklin County Youth Council and hosted three workshops regarding financial literacy, generational wealth, social media, academic success, and surviving Covid-19. The grant was used to cover the cost of advertising, facilitator's training, and incentives for the youth facilitators.



Mid-Ohio Workers Association

Mid-Ohio Workers Association Franklin County Workers Benefit Council was awarded a grant to assist its project members and other community residents with training/developing leadership skills. This group has been involved in learning advocacy issues to address housing, eviction and utility concerns.

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Self-Development of People GRANT Opportunity

Submission Deadline: September 30, 2022

Please Note: Rows will expand with inputted material.

APPLICATION FORM

Name of Project	
Name of Organization (If different from project)	
Physical Mailing Address (No P.O. Box)	
Street	
City, State, Zip	
Website or Facebook	
Keep your contact information updated	
Contact Person Name	
Title	
Work#	
Cell #	
Home#	
Fax#	
Email	



1. The amount you are requesting	
2. How many members are in the group? (SDOP seeks to partner with communities; it is unusual for a group of less than five people to receive funding)	
3. Describe the project and why it is needed? (Be specific).	
4. Who initiated the project and how will they be involved?	
5. How did the group come together?	
6. How will the group members benefit directly from this project?	
7. How do the group members own and control the project?	
8. How will you evaluate the success of the project?	
9. What is the total cost of the project?	
10. What is the organization's total budget?	
11. What are 1-2 main project goals?	
12. What will be different because of what the group is trying to do?	
13. How will you evaluate the success of the project?	



**Who are the decision makers for the project (please complete the decision maker grid below),
how will they benefit from the project, and how are they involved in it?**

Name & Phone number	Address (City, State & Zip code) <i>NO Post Office Box</i>	Job/Occupation (How each makes a living)	Poverty Level check one	Indicate how chosen Check one	
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			Below <input type="checkbox"/>	Elected	<input type="checkbox"/>
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			Below <input type="checkbox"/>	Elected	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Self-Selected	<input type="checkbox"/>



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

How did the group find out about SDOP? (Please check whichever applies)

- Email
- Presbyterian Church (USA) event
- Presbytery, Synod, SDOP Website or another website (indicate website)
- Local Church (indicate the name and location of the church)
- Word of mouth (provide the name and contact information of the person)
- Other (be specific)

NEXT STEPS:

Upon completion of above application, select one of the two submittal options below:

Option 1: EMAIL

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Option 2: USPS Mail

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