



## Church and School Collaboration Request for Proposals

Metro Ministries, Inc. is launching a new grants program focused on church and community collaboration. For the program's first year, we are offering a limited number of matching fund grants of up to \$1,000 each **to United Methodist Churches in the Central District** for programs that **connect each church with the faculty/staff** of a school in their respective neighborhoods.

The purpose of the grants is to provide an avenue for churches to reach out in love, making connections with schools which serve their area. The projects will be designed to make a positive difference in the lives of others regardless of whether those served will ever be a part of the community of faith.

Examples of what funds can be used for are: classroom supplies, educational materials, teacher training or support, staff morale or volunteer programs. Please don't let this limit your creative thinking about ways to connect with and support your local teachers – we welcome new ideas! Keep in mind that the focus of your project should be in direct support of teachers and/or staff members.

The application is available on Metro Ministries, Inc.'s website at [www.indymetroumc.org](http://www.indymetroumc.org). Please submit your application via email to [metrodirector1923@gmail.com](mailto:metrodirector1923@gmail.com) **by September 1, 2019**. Grant recipients will be notified by September 30, 2019 with checks distributed by October 4, 2019.

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