

## Diocese of Iowa International Development Grants

The Diocese of Iowa's International Development Grants were established at the 148<sup>th</sup> Diocesan convention in November 2000. This process was developed the following year and presented at the 149<sup>th</sup> Convention. In keeping with resolutions by General Convention and the Lambeth Conference, the following ethical guidelines are to be used in selecting projects to receive these funds.

### **\* Ethical Guidelines for International Economic Development:**

1. Partnership. The economic relationship promotes mutuality of benefits.
2. Respect. Local peoples and realities are valued.
3. Empowerment. The economic relationship values mutuality of process.
4. Oneness with creation. The economic relationship displays sensitivity to, and responsibility for, the environment.
5. Distributive Justice. The economic impact of the relationship contributes to the well-being of a significant number of people and does not promote inequities within the country.
6. People-centered development. If development assistance is offered, the beneficiaries set priorities and conditions. Maximum use is made of local resources. Applied technologies are appropriate for the setting.

### **Process for budgeting funds:**

The One World One Church Commission will include in its annual budget proposal a line item for International Development. The amount shall be at least 0.7% estimated net disposable diocesan income.

### **Process for granting funds:**

The One World One Church Commission shall oversee the allocation of these funds with regular reports to the Board and an annual summary included in the report to the Diocesan Convention.

Proposals for use of these funds may come from

- (a) a diocesan board or commission, or
- (b) a local Vestry/Bishops Committee.

### **Criteria:**

1. Proposals must be received by March 1.
2. Local proposals should include some local additional funding.
3. Priority will be given to projects with a tie with the proposer.
4. Proposals must demonstrate consistency with the ethical guidelines above.

Proposals should be addressed to the One World One Church Commission. If possible they should be submitted electronically to facilitate review. Otherwise, a copy should be sent to Convener, One World One Church, Diocese of Iowa, 225 37<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines, IA 50312.

Each proposal should outline the nature of the project including the partnering individual and/or organization in the developing country; some history of the involvement of that partner in development activities; comments addressing each of the six guidelines.

Proposals will be reviewed by the commission at its March/April meeting.

Diocese of Iowa  
International Development Grant Application Form

Principal author of proposal: \_\_\_\_\_

Partnering group in developing country: \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of purpose for project: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of principal proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring church group: \_\_\_\_\_

Nature of sponsor involvement: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of sponsor approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of sponsor representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Position of church sponsor representative: \_\_\_\_\_  
(rector, priest-in-charge, senior warden, clerk)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- I. Summary/timetable of project and how it is to be implemented: (should not exceed one page):
- II. Budget covering the essential operations. Are there other sponsors? Who is responsible? (should not exceed one page)
- III. Explain how the project fits each of the Ethical Guidelines for International Economic Development? (should not exceed one page)
  - In what way(s) will this project promote mutuality of benefits?
  - In what way(s) are the local people and realities valued in this project?
  - In what way(s) does this project “empower” individuals?
  - In what way(s) does this project display sensitivity to and responsibility for the environment?
  - In what way(s) does this project contribute to the well-being of a significant number of people and how does it avoid promoting inequities within the country?

In what way(s) are local people involved in setting priorities and conditions? How are local resources utilized? Is applied technology involved?