

ALLOCATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF ABCOPAD LEGACY GRANTS

1. ABCOPAD shall utilize the Legacy Grant funds for the enhancement of local church ministry in the areas listed on the attached sheet. *(NOTE: This is the list of purposes prepared by Caryl Casey out of the several earlier phone conversations regarding Legacy grants.)*
2. Approximately 50% of the Legacy grant funds available each year shall be utilized to support local church initiatives in the designated areas. The other 50% of the available funds each year shall be utilized to support region initiatives for the benefit of local church ministry throughout ABCOPAD. The Mission Allocation Committee (MAC) and ABCOPAD Board may approve deviations to this 50/50 split if circumstances warrant based on the requests that are before it.
3. The local church initiatives can come from an individual church, a group of churches acting together, or from an ABCOPAD association acting for the benefit of its member churches and should be submitted to the appropriate Area Minister for endorsement. Within the local church initiatives, priority shall be given to proposals involving and benefiting multiple churches as part of the same initiative.
4. The region initiatives can come from region staff, region officers, region ministry teams, region auxiliaries, and other region-wide entities; however, the purpose of the grant must be primarily to benefit local churches. These should be submitted to the Executive Minister for endorsement. Wherever possible such proposals should be designed to reach every area of the region, as was the case with the recent Congregational Life Cycle workshops held in each of the six areas, to obtain maximum impact for the dollars invested.
5. The minimum grant request shall be \$500 and the maximum \$5000.
6. Legacy grant fund applications are received continuously, but normally held to be considered at the same time as the RGP and MCD Spring and Fall Cycle reviews by the Mission Allocation Committee (MAC) and the ABCOPAD Board.
7. Because time sometimes will be of the essence in seizing an opportunity for ministry proposed for funding under the Legacy Grant program, the ABCOPAD Executive Minister, in coordination with the MAC Committee Chair, shall be authorized to approve the dispersal of up to a cumulative of 20% of each year's available Legacy Grant funds in between Spring and Fall Cycle reviews in response to highly time-sensitive requests.