



## Equity Grant for Refugee Response : Frequently Asked Questions

### Who should apply for this grant?

In an effort to expand our support for congregations engaged in refugee, asylum-seeker, and immigrant support, this grant is designed for Disciples congregations that are a part of **NAPAD**, **La Obra Hispana**, and **National Convocation**. Congregations may have an existing refugee ministry, or an idea for a new venture, that can benefit from grant support.

### What is the purpose of a Refugee Response Grant?

This grant focuses on ministries that might be outside the usual 'refugee response', creating avenues for congregations who are establishing innovative ways to address the concerns and needs of the refugee, migrant, and immigrant communities.

For example:

- A local congregation has a food pantry, and the clients making use of this support are largely immigrants and refugees in the community.
- Due to an influx of asylum-seekers being unexpectedly bussed into a city, there is a church providing winter coats to their unprepared new neighbors.

The grant design is broad enough to include a variety of efforts; traditional refugee response and resettlement will also be included.

### How much is the grant award?

The grants are for up to \$2500.

### Are there restrictions on the use of this grant?

In consultation with our Disciples Immigration Attorney, it has been determined that these grant funds are not to be used to pay for legal services for refugees or asylum seekers. Congregations looking for legal counsel or support should be in touch with [Disciples Immigration Legal Counsel](#) Natalie Teague.

### Where do we learn more about what our church can do?

The application form is [here](#) (or [here in Spanish](#)).

After receiving the completed form, Week of Compassion will follow up about potential support for the congregation's refugee response.

### Questions? Comments? Need more information?

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