



imaginarium

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Exploration Grant

Guidelines for grant proposal

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*Applications due March 15, 2024
Submit online at imaginariumiwu.com/parents*

GRANT OVERVIEW:

Exploration grants are designed to give Grant County churches an opportunity to creatively “explore” the development of programming and/or resources that support innovative and engaging approaches to spiritual formation within the home. Grant proposals should demonstrate a clear, intentional, and compelling plan for equipping Christian parents and caregivers to confidently share their faith with their children.

GRANT AMOUNT:

Up to \$3,000

GRANT LENGTH:

1 year

WHO CAN APPLY:

Churches in Grant County, Indiana (must possess 501(c)3 status)

DUE DATE:

Please export your proposal as a PDF and submit through the form at imaginariumiwu.com/parents. Proposals are due on March 15, 2024 and we anticipate that funds will be awarded by April 27, 2024.

GRANT PROPOSAL:

1. **Project summary (1 paragraph)** — In just a few sentences, give us the big picture of what you hope to accomplish.
2. **Who are you? (1 paragraph)** — Tell us about your congregation and surrounding community.
3. **Purpose (1 paragraph)** — What challenge are you trying to solve and why does it matter?
4. **Project statement (1-2 pages)** — How will you spend the grant award (up to \$3,000) and how will it further your mission?
5. **Obstacles (1-2 paragraphs)** — What obstacles do you expect to experience? How will you overcome these obstacles?
6. **Timeline (1 page)** — Provide a month-by-month timeline of what you hope to accomplish.
7. **Evaluation (1-2 paragraphs)** — What does success look like? What types of things will happen if you pull this off?
8. **Communication (1-2 paragraphs)** — How will you share what you’ve learned with your church/community/the Imaginarium staff?
9. **Team expectations (up to 1 page)** — Who is on your project team and what will they do?
10. **Budget (1 page)** — See budget guidelines on the next page.



BUDGET GUIDELINES:

- 1. Please don't use grant funding to replace anyone's current salary (new stipends/lines are fine).
- 2. Grant funds should be used to experiment with fresh forms of ministry (not to replace the furnace, etc.).
- 3. Please follow your church's policies for spending and financial reporting. You do not need to submit receipts to the Imaginarium, but we will require a financial report as well as a program report at the end of the grant period to show how the money was spent. We will share more about these reports at a later date.

CHURCH FINANCE CONTACT INFORMATION:

In your proposal, please include your church's finance contact's name, phone number, and email address.

SAMPLE BUDGET:

EXPENSES	AMOUNT
Director Stipend	\$600
Workshop Development	\$600
Materials and Resources	\$800
Marketing	\$700
Food	\$300
Total	\$3,000

