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Oakville Group Mission Fund Application

We see generations transformed by the gospel as disciples are multiplied in our homes, community, and beyond by joining Jesus on mission where we live, work, learn, and play.

Applicant Information

Applicant Name: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Group Information

Are you in a group? **IN** (Mark One) Life Group Rooted Group

Group Name: _____ Group Number (if known): _____

How long has your group been together: _____

Group members serving with you or holding you accountable for this event/project: _____

Resources Requested

Amount Requested: _____

Amount the individual or group is investing: _____

Other contributions (e.g. Donations in kind): _____

Number of volunteer hours expected: _____

Event Information

Event type: (Mark One) Project 1 to 1 Matching Fundraiser

Organization or individual benefitting: _____

How long have you or your group had a relationship with this organization or individual? _____

What will you and/or your group be doing through this event to connect others to the extraordinary life found in Jesus? **OUT** _____

How are the funds to be used (party supplies, leaf bags, lunch for servants, gift cards* ...)?

*If you plan to purchase gift cards, type and amounts must be listed.

How will your spiritual life be inspired by this project? **UP** _____

Policies

- Applicant requirements:
 - Member of a Faith Group
 - Active Faith family member
 - Application submitted and approval given before commitments made or money spent
- Each project must have an Up, In, and Out component (see aforementioned questions)
- Awards will be based on a variety of criteria including:
 - How long a group has been together
 - How long you have had a relationship with beneficiary
 - Funds awarded based on the event/project's alignment with Faith's Mission & Vision.
- All fund-raisers will be matched at a 1:1 ratio of proceeds raised (no funds will be given to hold a fundraiser)
- Reimbursement will follow project/event with appropriate form and itemized receipt(s).
- We are limited by the funds given and entrusted to us and we have to ask if this is good stewardship.
- Return completed form to: connect@faithstl.org; Faith Oakville, ATTN: Katie Bixler, 6101 Telegraph Rd, St. Louis, MO 63129.

Inappropriate uses of funds

- Personal reimbursement
- Directly gifting seed money to a cause
- Purchase of items without a relational activity
- Cash or cash equivalent (ex. gift cards)
- Social gatherings without Gospel intent to others
- Alcohol, firearms/ammunition, and/or unlawful ways not in keeping with Faith values
- Combining Group Mission funds for one large project

Definitions

Donations In-kind: contributions of goods or services, other than cash grants. Examples of in-kind gifts include:

Goods, like computers, software, furniture, and office equipment, for use by your organization or for special event auctions; **Services**, like meeting space, photocopy and mail services, and administrative/financial support; **Expertise**, like legal, tax, or business advice; marketing and website development; and strategic planning; **Cash equivalents**, like stocks, bonds, and mutual funds.

Group Mission Fund: Dollars set-aside for the purpose of funding missional activities of individuals and groups.

Groups: consist of Life Groups, Connect Groups, and Rooted groups.

Individual: an active Faith family member who is in a life group, connect group, or Rooted group.

Life Group: a group of people equipped, supported, and sent to live out the Gospel together as they get the life (UP), experience the life (IN), and give the life of Christ away (OUT) through individual or group missional activities.

Missional Activity: A project or event building relationships, serving the unreached, or supporting others allowing the opportunity to share the Gospel.

Rooted Group: a group of people who gather to journey through *The Rooted Experience* materials in hopes to transition into a Life Group, become a member of Faith, or strengthen the bonds of a Life Group.

Review Signature: _____