

# STEWARDSHIP FOUNDATION

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## GIVING GUIDELINES

1. Grants are made to Christ-centered organizations which have as their primary goal to bring people into a relationship with God through faith in Jesus Christ.
2. Grants are made to organizations and projects which address the following programmatic themes: Leadership, Poverty, Reconciliation and Justice, Relational Evangelism and Discipleship, and Children at Risk.
3. Grants are generally made in support of programs and operating expenses, and rarely for capital projects.
4. Grants are made to non-denominational parachurch organizations.
5. Grants are generally not made to missionary-sending organizations.
6. Domestically, grants are made to agencies that have a **national impact** except for local agencies serving the citizens of the Puget Sound area.
7. Grants are not made to organizations where, because of location or other reasons, the cost of evaluation is out of proportion to the size of the anticipated grant.
8. Grants are generally limited to 10 percent of total operating *revenue*.
9. Grants are generally for one year's duration. Multiple year requests are considered only when subject to annual review.
10. Grants are made to organizations holding a United States Internal Revenue Service letter verifying *public* charity 501(c)(3) status.
11. The Foundation will not participate in conduit fund raising or the funding of individuals.
12. Organizations applying for program funding, must practice full control of donated funds, discretion over their use and evaluation of their program's effectiveness.
13. Grants are *not* made for:
  - Scholarships or to fellowships to individuals
  - Endowments
  - Debt reduction
  - Emergency relief
  - Lobbying or influencing elections or legislation
  - Audio, video or literature production and distribution
  - Media organizations including production and airtime
14. Organizations are eligible to apply once per year, but multiple requests at one time may be acceptable.

## LETTER OF INQUIRY PROCEDURE

Write a brief letter to the Foundation describing your project, along with your organizational budget and sources of revenue. Please include your United States Internal Revenue Service letter of exemption showing you are not a *private* foundation. If your program falls within Foundation interests, an application packet will be emailed to you. The Foundation's Distribution Committee meets quarterly.

### **Address your correspondence to:**

Dr. Cary A. Paine, Executive Director, Stewardship Foundation, PO Box 1278, Tacoma, WA 98401-1278

## MISSION STATEMENT

The Stewardship Foundation provides resources to Christ-centered organizations that share their faith in Jesus Christ with people throughout the world.

- **The resources** we share include financial support (primarily operating and project) and counsel.
- **The people** we serve include the poor, the marginalized, the disadvantaged and those who lack faith in Jesus Christ.
- **The areas** we serve include the Puget Sound region, the United States and the Developing World.
- **The programs** we target include Christian leadership, poverty, reconciliation and justice, relational evangelism and discipleship, and children at risk.

## PROGRAMMATIC THEMES

The Stewardship Foundation will consider grants to organizations who promote:

### **Leadership**

- Preparation and training of servant leaders for the church and marketplace.
- The Foundation favors mentoring and discipleship of indigenous leadership in the least evangelized world.

### **Poverty**

- Community development (i.e. health, agriculture, water, education).
- Economic development primarily in the developing world.

### **Reconciliation and Justice**

- Advocacy and intervention on behalf of people suffering injustice, oppression and persecution.
- Protection for refugees and displaced people around the world, and efforts which seek to end the conditions that create displacement.
- Promotion of reconciliation and healing among current and historic enemies.
- Advocacy and promotion of religious liberty.

### **Relational Evangelism and Discipleship**

- Building relationships and friendships with people for the purpose of introducing them to Jesus Christ.

### **Children at Risk**

- Outreach and support of vulnerable children, protecting them from abuse and unfair treatment.
- Solutions and best practices which enable children to develop into the people God created them to be.