Mid-America Clergy Leadership Development Grants Announced

Leadership Development supports and nurtures Mid-America Disciples leaders by providing and promoting resources, events, grants, training, and retreats to increase congregational identity, connection, and vitality toward fulfilling our mutual mission and ministry.

Clergy Leadership Development Grants are now available to Disciples ministers who wish to self-select workshops and events that they feel personally are important to attend or streamed to further their ministry. Grant applications will be reviewed seasonally, with a fourth of the remaining money applied each quarter. All ministers requesting a grant must have met the CEU reporting requirements to have received their current year authorized ministry standing card. As enough funds generally will not be available to cover many, if any, students' tuition fees, it is generally felt that other funds should be sought for accreditation or degree programs. The amount of the grants each quarter will depend on available monies and the number of successful applications. Grants will be applied only to the registration costs and will be offered as rebates once the event has been attended.

The grant application requests the following information:

- 1. Name of the leadership event and location
- 2. Cost of the event and amount requested
- 3. How is this event relevant to ministry in your context?
- 4. How will you share what you have learned with other Disciples?
- 5. Provide links pertaining to the event so the grantors can learn more.

Please <u>click here</u> for the application to complete and return.

Deadlines for applications are: Dec. 1, 2016, Feb. 1, 2017, May 1, 2017, Aug. 1, 2017

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