**Grace Presbytery**

**Emergency Assistance Grant**

# Grace Presbytery’s Mission Statement

“Grace Presbytery claims God’s mission as our calling: to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ who saves, redeems, and reconciles the world to God through ministries of witness, justice, and mercy. Grace Presbytery prepares and supports leaders to build vital congregations that reach seekers and those in need, nurture disciples, and send apostles of our Lord into the world.”

# Purpose

To assist congregations with the restoration of ministry impaired by natural or unnatural disasters. This can include deductibles from insurance claims, other minor damage repair, or emotional/spiritual ministry needs for your congregation and community. These funds are to be used for church recovery and not for the surrounding community. funds are for physical and emotional damage. Emotional damage may include emotional/spiritual care.

Note: A natural disaster is defined as what has also unfortunately been referred to as “acts of God.” This would include disasters such as hurricanes, tornadoes, wildfires, heavy rain and floods, earthquakes, etc. Please note in the tradition of our Reformed faith we do not believe that God sends disasters to punish or test us. An unnatural disaster is a disaster that is human caused. Unnatural disasters would include gun violence, arson, vandalism, sexual misconduct, larceny or embezzlement, etc. Be aware there are times when the lines between natural and unnatural disasters is blurred.

Maximum Grant Amount: $1,500.00 of the total funds available

### Restrictions on Use

The grant may not be used to pay for the repair of a pre-existing building concern. This grant may not be used for the support of staff salaries.

### Endorsement Required

Grant applications shall be endorsed by the Session of the church applying for the grant.

**Instructions and Questions for Grant Application**

Deadline: The Team will receive, review, and award Emergency Disaster Grant Applications on an ongoing basis throughout the year.

Complete Application: The grant application must be complete when submitted. This includes the Session endorsement and all other required items. Incomplete application may result in the application being denied.

Typed or Online Submission: This is a fill-in-the-blank form. Please read and follow all applications instructions as directed. You can type directly onto the form, then save the completed form and print it. This form is also available online at Grace Presbytery’s website (<https://www.gracepresbytery.org/resources/documents/>).

Applications may be submitted directly to the Grace Support Team via email at [gracesupport@gracepresbytery.org](mailto:gracesupport@gracepresbytery.org).

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**1. Basic Information**

**Requested Amount $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Church Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Church**

**Mailing Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**City\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Church phone number\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Is this phone number staffed in normal working hours? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No**

**Contact person (Who will answer questions about this application?)**

**Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Primary Phone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**E-mail address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**2. Description of the Emergency Need**

**Briefly describe your congregation’s emergency need and how the funds will be used.**

**3. For physical damage: Who is your insurer? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**What is the deductible amount? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Have you filed a claim, and what date? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Have you been visited by an adjuster, or what date is this scheduled? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**4. What is the immediate financial need of the church for the recovery effort?**

**Describe:**

**If your need is for emotional/spiritual support, please describe: (This support cannot cover salary support.)**

**5. What is the overall (total) estimated expense for recovery to the best of your knowledge?**

**List:**

**6. Endorsement**

**Session Endorsement:**

On \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, the Session of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(church), of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (city), Texas approved this grant application. The Session understands that should a grant be awarded to the congregation, it will be responsible for providing, in a timely manner, all record-keeping and/or evaluation reports requested by the Grace Support Team.

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Clerk of Session (Print)

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Clerk of Session (Signature) Date

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Moderator (Print)

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Moderator (Signature) Date

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**For office use only**

Application received:

Application approved/disapproved:

Payment disbursed:

Please see a list of other grants available to churches of Grace Presbytery and through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA):

Grace Presbytery: New Ministry Start-Up Grant

[New-Ministry-Start-Up-Grant-2021.pdf (gracepresbytery.org)](https://www.gracepresbytery.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/New-Ministry-Start-Up-Grant-2021.pdf)

Grace Presbytery: Small Church Ministry Need Grant

[Microsoft Word - Small Church Ministry Needs Grant Application REV 01062020 (gracepresbytery.org)](https://www.gracepresbytery.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Small-Church-Ministry-Needs-Grant-2021.pdf)