Golden Gate Association of the Northern California-Nevada Conference of the United Church of Christ
Grants Policy

This policy describes the types of grants awarded. Please note that this is not an exhaustive list, and we welcome applications for grants not listed.

To apply for a grant, simply contact Kristi Denham, GGA Board President (RevKristi@aol.com) or Bethany Nelson, GGA Board Treasurer (bethanyjnelson@gmail.com) with the details of your request.

**In your application request, please include:**

1) Total cost of event/class/etc.
2) Amount requested
3) Reason for request
4) Other sources of funds
5) Date funds are needed
6) Statement of relationship to the Golden Gate Association

**Deadlines:**

Please apply by –

- December 1 for grants needed from January-April
- April 1 for grants needed from May-August
- August 1 for grants needed from September-December

**PART ONE: Grants to Congregations**

Who Can Apply: Any congregation with standing in the Golden Gate Association.

Grant requests might include, but are not limited to:

- Support for new programs or ministries
  - To help fund a new congregational or community initiative sponsored by a local church
  - Amount not to exceed one-third of start-up budget

**PART TWO: Grants to Persons in Discernment**

Who Can Apply: Any individual on track for ordination in the UCC who has been taken in-discernment by a Golden Gate Association congregation.

Grant requests might include, but are not limited to:

- Support for required Psychological Evaluation
  - Amount not to exceed one-third of the evaluation cost
- Support to complete other requirements of Committee on Ministry-Section A
This could include Boundary Training, UCC Polity/History for those already having complete seminary, or other courses and trainings
- Amount not to exceed one-third of registration fee
- Support for attendance at UCC regional or national gatherings
  - This could include the NCNC Annual Gathering or General Synod
  - Amount not to exceed one-third of the total cost of attending

PART THREE: Grants to Congregation Members
Who Can Apply: Any individual who is a member of or actively involved in a congregation with standing in the Golden Gate Association

Grant requests might include, but are not limited to:
- Support for training or education including lay leadership, PSR on-line courses, etc.
  - Amount not to exceed one-third of registration fee.
- Support for attendance at UCC regional or national gatherings
  - This could include the NCNC Annual Gathering or General Synod
  - Amount not to exceed one-third of the total cost of attending