

FUNDS THAT PROVIDE FOR 2025 ODF GRANTS PROGRAM

Funds established in whole or in part to provide for the ODF grants program.

Children, Youth and Young Adults (2015): Grants via a grant-making committee of the Oklahoma Disciples Foundation to provide for activities aimed at spiritual development, church-related learning events, service oriented mission trips or church camps and special events for Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) children, youth and young adults (under age 35) within the US and abroad. Funds should not be used for church camp scholarships or reduction in church camp fees.

Endowment to Fund Grants for Youth & Children (2021): To fund grants via the ODF Grants Committee to benefit youth and children.

Fellowship of John (2009): Grants to benefit healthcare ministries for seniors in Oklahoma.

First Christian Church, Ada, Oklahoma Endowment (2020): To benefit ODF Grants Funds.

Fund for the Education of Clergy & Laity (2009): Grants to educate clergy, laity and congregations on spiritual values of giving, and ways to create congregational structures of fiscal transparency and accountability. To assist clergy in the practice of pastoral care to include the care of givers.

Grant Giving Gifts Endowment (2023): To provide an ongoing source of funds for disbursement as grant awards. Established by the McNickles (Bernie & Joyce) who were missionaries in their everyday lives. Their “missions” were not limited by any kind of boundaries, whether geographic, ethnic-, race- or gender-based. Awards will be made with intent.

Jewell Endowment Fund for Practical Parish Ministry Skills (2012): Beneficiaries are the Foundation’s Grant Program in years when no Stole Camp or Chalice Camp is being held. In the event the Foundation is notified prior to the regularly scheduled annual distributions from endowment funds that a Stole Camp or Chalice Camp is being held, the Foundation will distribute the funds accordingly. In the event no notification is made, the Foundation may presume no Camp is being held and may advertise the funds as available in the Grant Program. All funds shall be used for practical parish

ministry skills. In the event distributions are made available through the Grant Program, they shall be open to applications by Disciples entities including but not limited to churches and seminaries in Oklahoma and Indiana.

Kyle Maxwell Fund (2015): To ensure funds are available in perpetuity for matching or grant programs as the Foundation board may see fit to authorize. Funds to benefit churches, missions and ministries of the Christian Church in Oklahoma as deemed by the Oklahoma Disciples Foundation Board of Directors.

Northwest Christian Church (OKC) Memorial Mission (2015, amended 2018): Established by Northwest Christian Church, OKC, to provide funds for the missions and ministries of the Church via a grant-making committee of the Oklahoma Disciples Foundation.

Northwest Christian Church (OKC) Pastoral Support (2018): Established through the closure of Northwest Christian Church, OKC. Pastoral support grants via a grant-making committee of the Oklahoma Disciples Foundation. To benefit pastors, retired pastors, and ministers for a wide variety of uses such as sabbaticals, pension supplements, incentives to locate in rural areas, and other such purposes.

Oklahoma Christian Retirement Community University Place Christian Church (OKC) Endowment (1993): Funds for senior ministries in Oklahoma.

Oklahoma Disciples Foundation Board “Cloud of Witnesses” (2015): To generate funds for grants to be made by the Foundation, as determined by the Foundation Board and its committees. This fund will provide a vehicle into which churches that are closing can place their remaining funds. As churches close, they can provide new life and witness to the message of Jesus Christ through the funding of church innovation – new ways of being church.

Senior Ministries (2009): Grants to benefit healthcare ministries for seniors or provide seniors with health and wellness information. In October 2021, the ODF Board of Directors, by unanimous vote, combined into the Senior Ministries fund another endowment, The Senior Ministries [formerly OASIS] Fund (1995/2021). The latter fund was originally established to benefit the OASIS (Older Adult Sharing & Interfaith Services) adult day care in 1995. After OASIS disbanded, this fund was redirected to benefit grants for seniors and was renamed The Senior Ministries Endowment by the ODF Board in early 2021.

South Side Christian Church (Tulsa) for Seniors (2011): Twenty percent of endowment distribution from South Side Christian Church, Tulsa. For grants via ODF grant-making committee, to ministries serving seniors in Oklahoma.

South Side Christian Church (Tulsa) for Youth (2011): Forty percent of endowment distribution from South Side Christian Church, Tulsa. For grants via ODF grant-making committee, to ministries serving children and youth in Oklahoma.

The Senior Ministries (formerly OASIS) Endowment (1995/2021): This fund was originally established to benefit the OASIS (Older Adult Sharing & Interfaith Services) adult day care in 1995. After OASIS disbanded, this fund was redirected to benefit grants for seniors and was renamed The Senior Ministries Endowment by the ODF Board of Directors in 2021. As of 12/31/2021, this fund combined with the Senior Ministries fund listed above, as per a unanimous 2021 vote of the ODF Board of Directors.

United Ministries for Higher Education, Stillwater (1992): To benefit ecumenical spiritual education for students.

William E. and Millie A. Cress Ministerial Education Endowment (2021): To generate funds for grants to be made by the Foundation, as determined by the Foundation Board and its committees. The intent of this endowment is to provide funding to complete the education to gain the skills required to perform the Christian ministerial/ministerial support functions required by the applying congregation and candidate to perform/present worship services and congregational ministry. This endowment is not intended to supplement candidate salary or personnel benefit obligations.

First Christian Church, Stigler, OK Endowment (2024): This endowment fund was established by the remaining members of First Christian Church, Stigler, following the closing and sale of their church property. As a legacy to the church and in an effort to support ongoing ministries within Oklahoma and their community, the members elected to distribute 60 percent of the annual earnings from the endowment to support Disciple church ministries and missions through an unrestricted gift to the Oklahoma Disciples Foundations annual grants program. The remaining 40 percent of annual earnings are to be distributed to the Haskell County Angel Tree Association.