Circuit Rider Dispatch Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church Foundation, Inc.

# **NEW GRANT DEADLINE ANNOUNCED FOR FALL** Sept 15, 2016

Recently the Holston Foundation grant committee awarded \$80,600 in 27 grants to local churches and ministries. The majority of the funding comes from the Margret Loving Trust and other funds are made available from listed on the grants section of our <u>webpage</u>. All of the Foundation's grants are made possible through the generosity of individuals who established an endowment in the Foundation.

Examples of this year's spring awards are as follows:

- \$2,500-Lookout Mountain UMC's backpack ministry (Chattanooga District)
- \$2,225-Wesley Memorial's HOPE program (Healing, Optimism, Peace, Encouragement) (Chattanooga District)
- \$1,000-Ketron Memorial's "Loving our Senior Neighbors" program (Kingsport District)
- \$2,500-Otterbein UMC's "Extend a Hand" program to seniors. (Johnson City District)

Examples of grant applications that were not funded:



- Short term mission trips
- Passenger vans
- Worship services/equipment
- Consultant fees/honorariums

Special thanks to our grant committee who gave of their time and wisdom to the process: Wanda Moody, Bearden UMC; Mary Frances Tucker, Fountain City UMC; Cheryl Light, First Dandridge UMC; Dennis Falls, Cokesbury UMC; Micah Nicolaus, Central UMC Lenoir City; and Dan Taylor, Conference Secretary.

The majority of the Foundation grants furthering United Methodist ministries were established through estate planning by thoughtful individuals who wished to leave a positive legacy. Should you wish to discuss establishing a fund through a testamentary gift from your estate please contact Paul Bowman or Roger Redding at 865-690-8124 or click <u>here</u>.



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The Holston Conference Foundation stewards scholarship funds for both higher education and seminary studies. Most scholarships target Holston Conference colleges (Emory & Henry, Tennessee Wesleyan and Hiwassee); however, there are a few that have their own unique donor-created criteria. Please select and only one application and we will use that and apply it to any possible scholarship match.



Please click <u>here</u> for more information on applying for a scholarship through the Holston Conference Foundation. Award amounts range between \$500-\$4,000.

If you are interested in establishing a scholarship through a current or deferred gift we would love to discuss your options. The Foundation provides customized donor agreements that follow your intentions. Please click <u>here</u> for a sample of a scholarship agreement and contact us at 865-690-8124 to discuss the possibilities.