

PROVIDENCE FUND GUIDELINES

The Providence Fund was established and funded by the host committee of *the 2004 Annual Meeting and Conference, and continues to grow through gifts from benevolent individuals who wish to help Churches who might not otherwise be able to send delegates to NACCC's Annual Meeting.*

1. The Providence Fund exists to help Active Member* Churches of the NACCC in sending a delegate to the Annual Meeting and Conference. *(Note: The Fund is not intended for Churches applying for membership).*
2. Requirements:
 - a. The Member Church must partner with the Providence Fund in sending a delegate.
 - b. The Member Church must not have been able to send a delegate to the Annual Meeting for 3 or more years, due to financial reasons.
3. The Providence Fund will provide a grant of up to \$500 for:
 - a. **Full registration fee** for the Annual Meeting and Conference *and*
 - b. **Partial lodging costs** -up to one-half (½) of the room fees to attend.
4. As a partner, the Member Church will provide travel, meals not included in the registration fee and up to half the hotel fees for their delegate.
5. The fees provided by the Providence Fund will be **directly paid** from the Fund to the NACCC. No funds will be sent to the Member Church receiving a grant.
6. No grant will exceed \$500.00. Grant funding is contingent on the applicant Church maintaining Active Member* status.
7. Grant Recipients must complete and submit a Grant Report - a brief questionnaire, within 30 days of the Annual Meeting and Conference for which the funds were received.

Deadline: All applications must be submitted using the Congregational Foundation's Common Grant Application and Summary Grant Signature Page and must be *received* by the NACCC no later than **April 15th**.

**An Active Member Church is one which makes a financial contribution to the general fund of the Association. The general fund is also known as the Shared Ministries Fund, which Churches support by Fair Share contributions annually – actual Fair Share amounts are determined by each Church.*