

Holston Conference Change for Children Training Scholarship

Grant Information and Guidelines

- Grants are available for children's ministry leaders up to \$500 per person with a maximum of \$1,000 per church for training scholarships.
- Priority is given to the primary children's ministry leader of a church and one children's ministry volunteer (\$1,000 total).
- Grants are awarded twice yearly as funds are available. The deadline for a 2018 grant is October 15. After 2018, application deadlines are February 15 and August 15. Grant recipients will be notified in writing within 90 days of deadline.
- If excess funds are available, they will be distributed to additional volunteers of a church based on order of application received.
- Grants will be made payable to the church rather than to an individual.
- Recommended opportunities include, but are not limited to:
 - Training Webinars, resources, and conferences from UMC Discipleship Ministries; www.umcdiscipleship.org/leadership-resources/children
 - CEF; Christians Engaged in Faith Formation; www.cefumc.org
 - Children's Pastors Conference, International Network of Children's Ministers; www.childrenpastorsconference.com
 - KidMin Children's Ministry Conference, Group Publishing; www.group.com
 - Orange Conference, The ReThink Group; www.theorangeconference.com
 - The Children's Ministry Expo; www.childrensministryexpo.com
 - CM Connect; www.cmconnect.org
 - GenOn Ministries; www.genonministries.org
 - ETCH (Equipping the Church and Home) Family Ministry Conference by Lifeway; www.etchconference.com
 - Vibrant Faith; www.vibrantfaith.org
 - United Methodist Women; www.UMW.org
- All applications must be filed on the approved Training Scholarship Request Application with all required signatures.
- All application forms should be requested from and returned to Change for Children, Holston Conference of the UMC, P.O. Box 850, Alcoa, TN 37701-0850 no later than October 18.
- Grants recipients may apply again in two years.
- If a grant is awarded, please email a copy of the registration or confirmation and post one best idea on the Holston Conference Children's Ministry Facebook page.

Holston Conference Change for Children Training Scholarship Grant Application

Name of Church/Charge: _____

Name of Training Event: _____

Estimated Cost Per Person (registration, travel, lodging, meals, etc...): _____

Name of Participant(s)	Amount Being Applied For:
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

Why was this training opportunity chosen?

What skills are you hoping to gain from this training?

How do you hope to apply these skills in your ministry setting?

Applicant's Signature

Date

Pastor's Signature

Date

