

**First United Methodist Church Fort Collins (FUMCFC)  
Mission Scholarship Fund (MSF)**

**Managed by the Community and World Mission Committee (CWM)**

**Guidelines for Distribution of Funds**

**Overview.** The MSF is a restricted FUMCFC account to assist people intending to participate and travel on domestic or international mission trips sponsored by FUMCFC. The MSF is managed by the CWM Committee, which has the discretion to determine when to distribute funds, to whom and for what purpose.

**Purpose.** We believe that mission trips are for everyone regardless of their financial situation. The MSF is aimed at assisting those who without this assistance would be unable to travel on a mission trip, especially students. But the MSF is not intended to be the sole source of funding for an individual traveling on a mission. The CWM Committee may apply to the Stewardship and Generosity Committee for permission to conduct fundraising to further assist members intending on traveling on a mission. Individuals who have the resources to self-fund mission trips are encouraged to do so.

**Procedures.** A FUMCFC member who wishes to apply for financial assistance from the MSF should complete the specific application (see attachment) and submit it to the chair of the CWM Committee. The chair will assemble a subcommittee of no fewer than three CWM members to review the application.

**Decision Criteria.** The subcommittee will promptly make a determination as to how much to grant to an individual based on the following factors:

- Pertinence of the mission trip to the mission of FUMCFC
- The balance currently in the MSF
- The number of other requests pending for mission trip funding

An individual's funding request cannot exceed 33% of the total cost of the trip up to a maximum of \$1000.