



WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I APPLY?

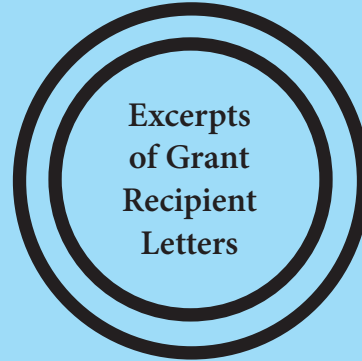
When your application is received, we quickly explore your need to ensure the best and proper use of the funds.

This exploration is conducted by an organization known as Helping Hands. Once all information is verified, grants will be completed and funds disbursed in a timely manner.

Payments are made to the hospital, doctor, or vendor directly, so that you can focus on what really matters.

“Your mission statement says that your fund exists to ‘bless and serve’, and I can truthfully say that outside of my own family’s generosity, I have never experienced anything close to the blessing that your generosity has provided... When I was approved for a grant, there were literally tears of joy and gratitude flowing down my face.”

- SOUTH GEORGIA



“We want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for helping us, so that the hospital bill from my wife’s surgery will no longer be hanging over our heads like a dark cloud. The grant is a tremendous blessing to us, and we will be forever grateful for your generosity and kindness... We praise the Lord for such wonderful people opening your hearts to help us, one of the Shepherds of God’s flock. To God be the glory, great things He has done through your generous heart of giving.”

- MISSISSIPPI

“My two months stay in the hospital exhausted our limited savings. How grateful I am that you stepped into the gap between our savings and hospital costs alongside of my wife and me. I am deeply moved by the provision of God. The Shepherd’s Fund has been an answer to prayer.”

- SOUTH CAROLINA



The Shepherd's Fund

“The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching.”

1 TIMOTHY 5:17 NIV



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WHAT IS THE SHEPHERD'S FUND?

The Shepherd's Fund was established by a generous donor to bless retired or disabled pastors, their spouses, and their widows/widowers who have faithfully served Christ and His church. The Shepherd's Fund provides financial assistance when a medical or life stage crisis creates a hardship. Great men and women of Christian faith are called to serve God as shepherds of His flock. Unlike those who work in traditional fields, many pastors do not retire with large retirement funds and have little money to meet the needs that can arise in later years.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

A retired pastor and his/her spouse can qualify for a one time grant up to \$10,000 in a calendar year. They may reapply in subsequent years, especially if they have a chronic ongoing medical condition.

GRANTS MAY BE GIVEN TO THE FOLLOWING IF IN GOOD STANDING WITH DENOMINATION:

- Retired pastors and their spouses
- Widows/Widowers of retired pastors
- Disabled pastors, unable to perform ministerial duties but not fully retired
- Retired/disabled pastors that are legal custodians for their adult children that may have a disability from childhood
- Retired/disabled pastors that are legal custodians for their grandchildren that may have a medical crisis or disability, regardless of age

HOW DO I APPLY?



Apply at:

www.theshepherdsfund.org

Be sure to include the name and contact information of your denominational leader (district superintendent, conference benefits officer, seminary alumni association director) with your application.

For assistance in completing an application, please do not hesitate to contact The Shepherd's Fund office directly.

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