

LEAP Grant Program Application

LEAP is a grant program that supports ministries in creating innovations that help their Unity communities flourish.

LEAP grants:

- Are available to partner ministries* as well as to evolving and alternative ministries with a commitment to partner level participation .
- Require a business plan.
- Require a presentation pitch on Zoom at one of the three annual LEAP Pitch Events to show how this grant will help your community flourish and benefit the worldwide Unity movement. This presentation can incorporate video and slides as well as a personal presentation.
- Require the applying ministry to contribute at least 20% financially to the project and have identified volunteers/staff to make it happen.
- Are based on a panel vote, considering level of innovation, value to the community seeking the award, alignment with spiritual principles and mission, and degree to which there is a well-thought-out plan for implementation and subsequent self-sufficiency.
- Priority is given when the innovation is something that can be modeled by other Unity communities.
- Require the following application be filled out with additional pages for the answers. Submit application to: <u>LEAP@unity.org</u>.
- Require an Annual Ministry Report be submitted to Unity Worldwide Ministries.
- Are awarded only to ministries in good standing with a recognized Unity leader or in process of obtaining Unity credentials.

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^{*}Partner Ministries are official members of Unity Worldwide Ministries, who adhere to the Unity teachings, have a credentialed Unity leader or Minister of Record, and are regular contributors to Unity Worldwide Ministries through tithes as well as participation on ongoing teams, ad hoc committees, teaching classes through UWSI, or development of creative content shared with UWM.



LEAP Grant Program Application Form

Application Date:
Name of the Ministry:
Street Address of Ministry:
Mailing Address, if different:
Minister/Spiritual Leader of Ministry:
Telephone Number for Ministry:
Name of Contact Person for Project:
Telephone Number for Project Contact Person:
Email Address for Project Contact Person:
How much money are you requesting?
How much money has your community contributed or budgeted?
Will this funding allow you to be self-sufficient with this project in the future?
Please answer the following questions on a separate paper. We want to see evidence of your passion for the project and the work you have already put into it.

- 1. Please describe your project, including the need it answers.
- 2. How does this project align with Unity values and the values of your community?
- 3. What has your community done so far to bring this project forth?
- 4. In what ways do you see this project advancing the Unity movement?
- 5. In what ways do you see this project being a model for other communities to follow?

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- 6. What are your plans for volunteers/staff? Do you have this people power already in place?
- 7. What other funding sources have you explored beyond your community's donations?
- 8. In what ways does your community contribute to your region and to Unity Worldwide Ministries?
- 9. Please attach financial records that support this request.

Submit your application to: <u>LEAP@unity.org</u>.

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