

Pacific Yearly Meeting's Unity with Nature Committee 2017-2018 Mini-Grant Program Information and Application

The Unity with Nature [UwN] Committee's Mini-Grant program gives grants to worthy proposals by monthly meetings in Pacific Yearly Meeting [PYM] for Earthcare projects. The money comes from the UwN Special Projects Fund and are not from the PYM budget.

Unity With Nature Mini-Grants support Quaker projects having a primary purpose of benefiting the natural world and/or promoting ecological awareness and education in the community. Friends' organizations — whether a school, meeting or other group—are eligible to apply. Projects in which the Meeting (or other Friendly organization) matches the expenses and/or Partnerships with non-Quaker groups in the community are encouraged.

Please announce this opportunity to your Monthly Meeting and encourage Friends to apply for any relevant project in your Meeting that needs some additional, external funding to make it a reality.

* Mini-grants are for a maximum of \$300 for most projects, \$500 for a traveling environmental ministry scholarship. Grants are made to a Friends' organization, not to an individual.

*** Currently (in 2017) there is an open application period. Apply when you like. After January 2018 email UwN to check on availability of funding before applying.**

* The grants are to support activities or materials that would benefit the local environment or environmental awareness in the meeting. The possibilities are wide, limited only by your imagination. Examples are:

Obtaining super-efficient appliances (e.g. an on demand hot water heater)

Materials for planting trees, an organic edible garden, pollinator garden, and/or drought-resistant or native plants on the Meeting House grounds

Materials for ecological education (adult or children)

Trip costs or scholarship for an environmental project or workshop (environmental ministry)

Holding a locavore, zero-waste or similar sustainable event

Installing rainwater catchment or graywater irrigation system

Solar Panels for the Meeting House

Activities involving meeting members and/or children are strongly encouraged, as are mini-grant projects which substantially involve the participants in their planning and completion. However, mini-grants are not intended to pay for services and labor by participants.

For additional information, contact Catya de Neergaard cadeneergaard@gmail.com or current clerk of UwN.

PYM Unity With Nature Committee Mini-Grant Application 2017-2018

Please complete the application form below.

Please provide the following information and attach a full project description, including

- 1) an itemized budget,
- 2) a concise and complete description of activities, and
- 3) a timeline for completion.

Lastly, email these documents to Catya de Neergaard: cadeneergaard@gmail.com or current clerk of UwN. *Please only email your written documents in DOC, DOCX, TXT, or PDF formats. JPGs or GIFs etc are fine as visual formats. Other formats will not be able to be opened or considered.*

Title of Project _____

Brief Description of Project _____

(attach an additional page with more description, if you like)

Applicant/ contact person _____

Email address of contact person _____

Telephone #(s) _____

Date of submission _____

Name of your Quaker Meeting, Quaker organization, and/or partners

Name of Treasurer / Clerk of Finance _____

Email address of Treasurer/Clerk _____

Telephone # _____

Amount requested for mini-grant _____

Amount(s) provided by Meeting or other Quaker Organization, if any, to this project

Mini-grant check made out to (Meeting or Organization)

Address where mini-grant check would be sent

Mini-grant recipients agree to document their project, furnishing a progress report no later than 6 months after receiving the funds, attaching digital photos where possible.

Signed and dated by applicant contact person:

Signed and dated by treasurer/clerk or presiding clerk:

[Typed signatures are OK as long as both people have read and approved this application.]
