

## Barrier-Free Grant

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### Purpose

To create barrier-free community life for all persons with disabilities, and encourage local volunteers through matching financial support.

### ADN contact information:

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### Guidelines

Successful grant applications will include:

- An opportunity for congregational volunteerism and the use of local resources to facilitate barrier-free community life, mutual awareness, caring support, and accessibility education.
- A plan to publicize the project, event, or resource in the congregation, the local community, and churchwide media. (ADN can assist.)
- Completion of the ADN grant application at least 45 days before the funds are needed.

### Funding details

- Minimum grant: \$100
- Maximum grant: \$500
- Grant awards are subject to the availability of ADN funds.
- Awarded grant funds must be used within one year of receipt.
- Grant funds not used for a designated project must be given as a donation to an ADN approved disability-related organization or project.
- Funds requested will be no more than half the total project cost.

### Application procedure

An ADN advocate or congregation member contacts an ADN staff person to clarify any questions about the eligibility of a project, event, or resource.

The local congregation leadership affirms the need for an ADN matching grant and designates an individual to be the grant contact person.

The grant contact person completes and submits the ADN barrier-free grant application.

ADN staff review the application, make inquiries if needed, and if it qualifies, submit the award for ADN board approval.

The contact person will be notified of the board decision and a check for the amount awarded will be mailed to the congregation.

### Examples of qualified ADN barrier-free grant options

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accessible parking designations</li> <li>• Accessible restroom projects</li> <li>• Accessibility service projects</li> <li>• ASL resources for hearing-impaired attendees</li> <li>• Classroom support persons</li> <li>• Escort support for medical needs</li> <li>• Hearing devices</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community workshops</li> <li>• Mental health awareness events</li> <li>• Mentor and partnership support</li> <li>• Pastoral care resources for disability ministry</li> <li>• Resources for visual impairment</li> <li>• Visitation projects</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Respite care planning and services</li> <li>• Community disability activities and events</li> <li>• Home accessibility upgrades</li> </ul> |
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**Note:** This list of potential projects is not comprehensive. If in doubt, contact ADN for clarification.



# Anabaptist Disabilities Network

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Name of organization/persons to benefit from the grant

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Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
ZIP

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of ADN advocate or contact person for this grant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
ZIP

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Email Address

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Phone

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Describe your proposed project, event, or resource.

Describe how volunteers from the congregation will be involved.

List or include a proposed timeline or schedule and a projected date of completion.

Estimated project cost                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Local contributions                            \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Grant amount requested                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of ADN advocate or contact person

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**Submit application and supporting documents to:**

Anabaptist Disabilities Network  
3145 Benham Avenue, Suite 5, Elkhart, IN 46517-1970

*Office use only*

ADN grant award determination: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_