2027 APPLICATIONS OPEN FROM THE ABCWI FINANCE COMMITTEE:

NEW WINESKINS GRANT PROGRAM

"SIMILARLY, NO ONE PUTS NEW WINE INTO OLD WINESKINS; OTHERWISE, THE WINE WILL BURST THE SKINS, AND THE WINE IS LOST, AND SO ARE THE SKINS, BUT ONE PUTS NEW WINE INTO FRESH WINESKINS."

~MARK 2:22, NRSV-UE

THE NEW WINESKINS GRANT PROGRAM SEEKS TO NURTURE THE BIRTHING OF NEW MINISTRY INITIATIVES IN ABC-WI BY PLANTING SEEDS THROUGH VISIONING, COACHING, AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT.

DESCRIPTION

The pursuit of our Christ-centered mission calls for new paradigms, new sets of expectations, and new "containers."

No one knows what *new* thing or *new* change will result in exactly the kingdom-results we hope for in all contexts, but through this program we hope to create a culture that is intentional, nimble, and dynamic. Ready for the unknown future, we seek to foster ideas that heed the Holy Spirit's movement in places where Christian community is ready to be birthed.

GUIDELINES

- **New means new.**
  This initiative is about supporting new ministries (new faith communities or missional efforts).
- **"With and Among" not "To and For."**
  We are most excited about ministry that happens with and among people rather than to and for them.
- **New Relationships.**
  We encourage ideas that seek to reach and minister among populations currently not connected with, or who are underserved within ABC-WI.

CONTACT

Want to learn more about how you can help support or be supported by the New Wineskins initiative?

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