

# Guidance for grant applications

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Thank you for your interest in applying to Baptist Insurance for a grant. The following guidelines have been agreed by the Board to help you to make your application, based on the criteria that we will use in assessing it.

## What we will fund

- Community outreach where the focus is on seeing people become followers of Christ.
- Staffing costs for those whose primary role is to help people become followers of Christ.
- Church planting.
- Pioneering, creative or new forms of evangelism, especially where these enable the Gospel to be shared with those who haven't yet heard it.

## What we will not fund

- Regular pastoral ministry.
- Routine activities such as Sunday Schools or cell groups.
- Building projects.
- Overseas projects (our current allocation for work overseas is already committed through BMS World Mission and the European Baptist Federation).

## Other things to note

- The size of our grants usually ranges from £2,000 to £20,000.
- While we do not usually offer multi-year grants, we would expect that the work which you are asking us to fund has long-term sustainability.
- We expect the work for which you are requesting the grant to have the support of the wider Baptist family; this may include your Regional Association where appropriate.
- You are unlikely to be successful if your accounts show significant ability to fund the work yourselves.
- If your application is unsuccessful, you cannot re-apply for twelve months.