

The Community Ministry Commission focuses on church-based outreach missions. We worked cooperatively with the Grants Commission to develop a funding application form for the Spring 2023 round of grant funding. This report includes the recipients of the grants made by CMC for Spring 2023. CMC grants are designed to encourage churches to expand their ministry or organize a new effort to serve their community.

We have also coordinated a variety of workshops on topics relevant to the lives of our churches. Last year, we offered a Saturday event on Hunger Issues and Ministries at Connecticut Farms Church in Union. Frank Broyles led a workshop on Community Ministry and Community organizing which we conducted at Old Bergen Church in Jersey City. This year we coordinated events on Church Use of Technology at Elmwood United Presbyterian Church and on Church Security issues led by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance at United Presbyterian Church of West Orange.

The timely workshop on Migration Issues and Programs will be led by Nick Montalto, former CEO of the International Institute in Jersey City. That workshop will be on Saturday, June 24 at First Presbyterian Church of Ridgewood. These workshops focus both on the topic at hand and on giving members of presbytery an opportunity to get to know one another.

Two churches are successfully sponsoring refugee families supported in part by \$7500 grants through the CMC. Thanks to First Pres Ridgewood and West Side Presbyterian Church in Ridgewood for sponsoring families. We have set aside \$15000 to support additional refugee sponsorships.

We meet regularly on the first Thursday evening of the month.

Organization Name	Project Name	Amount Requested	Approved Amount
Bloomfield Presbyterian Church on the Green	Bloomfield Presbyterian Church on the Green Food Pantry	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Linda Morgan/Elmwood Health Ministry	First Air & CPR/AED Training	\$7,500.00	\$2,200.00
Iglesia Presbiteriana Nueva Esperanza	Loving our Neighbor	\$4,000.00	\$500.00
Old Bergen Church	Presbytery Clean Energy Project with New Jersey Together	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Palisades Avenue Presbyterian Church	Vacation Bible School	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Trinity United Presbyterian Church of Montclair	Trinity Presbyterian Multi-Media Proposal	\$3,800.00	\$3,800.00
Roseville Presbyterian Church	Safety Precautions to Reduce Human Caused Disasters	\$3,800.00	\$3,800.00
Siloam-Hope First Presbyterian Church	Fresh Food for the Soul	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
United Presbyterian Church	Greater Faith works	\$5,000.00	\$4,000.00