

# THE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FUND

Upon the sale of the North Farmington Community Church, the Detroit Baptist Union placed the proceeds of the sale into a special fund to be awarded to area American Baptist churches to facilitate church growth and transformation.

This special fund, now called "The Specialized Training Fund," is now providing funding for educational and training events specifically chosen to meet the needs of our local churches. Up to \$100,000. is available for grants this year. Individuals may be granted up to \$2,000. per year, with a maximum of three grants given per church. Requests for funds must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the event being considered. We will not consider funding events that have already been attended.

Questions about the grant or requests for grant applications may be addressed to Rev. Jim Castleman at (734) 282-1424.



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## GRANT PROGRAM OVERVIEW

MDAABC churches are facing a multitude of challenges as we seek to share God's love in our communities and bring transformation to our local ministries. Whether our church is large or small, urban or suburban, well-established or newly planted, we all face some unique challenges.

The Detroit Baptist Union would like to help you obtain the training and inspiration necessary to address those challenges. We encourage you to identify the need(s) within your congregation, find a training event that will address that need, and complete the application for a grant.

DBU wants to be involved in your ministry. Let us be a blessing to your ministry and congregation!

Investments of  
Time

### We will consider:

**Training Seminars**

**Spiritual Gifts  
Seminars**

**Youth Leadership  
Conferences**

**Music & Worship  
Conferences**

**Spiritual Growth  
Seminars**

**Other events designed  
to address your  
specific needs**

### We are not funding:

**Denominational  
conventions**

**College/Seminary  
courses leading to a  
degree**

## Applying For a Grant

1. The Pastor and board should meet and determine a particular need present in the church that they would like to address.
2. Find an event designed to address that need.
3. Complete a grant application. The application must be received 30 days before funding is needed.

## Reporting

1. Within 2 weeks, participants must submit a synopsis of the event.
2. Six months after the event, an evaluation paper is due that describes how the training event affected the identified need in the church.

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