

# We're All Invited!



## Invitation to Ignite Partnership 2019

You'll notice this might not look like other grant applications you've completed. We've given some hints to help where things might be unfamiliar. Our intention is for congregations and their partners to invite Ignite, on behalf of the Presbytery of New Castle, into partnership in order that mission and ministry might grow and be strengthened in Christ's name. Ignite will RSVP and then in the company of the Holy Spirit, may the ministry begin!

New Castle Presbytery, through Ignite, is invited to partner with

Tell us who you are

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in

Tell us what you hope to do

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What do you call what you hope to do?

Project Title

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To whom should Ignite send our RSVP? (project contact person)

Name

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Contact Person's Role with Project

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Contact Person's Email Address

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Contact Person's Preferred Phone

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You got this!

Inviting Church \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Inviting Church's phone, email address, and website

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Who are your PARTNERS? Please record the following information for **each** participating congregation and organization.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Non-profit status:  YES  NO

If "yes" check one of the following:  501 (c)  Church

Don't forget the signature page (it's next)!

## Signature(s) of Inviting Church's Official Representatives:

You'll need the Pastor and the Clerk of Session

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Commitment & Confirmation

For each partner organization, please attach **on letterhead**, a one-page letter of commitment, confirming how they plan to participate in the partnership and ministry.

## So Churches, now that we've been Introduced, Inspire us!

Keep it simple. Please respond with a short paragraph for each question. Attach separately. No more than 2 (TWO) pages.

1. Tell us what has inspired you, what you hope to do and how you hope to accomplish it.
2. Please tell Ignite how what you hope to do is new, bold, contextual and relational.
3. Will it create new or expand an existing ministry?
4. How does it embolden and inspire congregations to build partnerships with other congregations, service providers, denominations and visionaries?
5. How does it or did it encourage congregations in discernment of their call and the needs present in their community?
6. How will you measure your progress and outcomes?

Whew! That was a lot of work!  
Just a bit more.

Show me the money! Or at least show us how the money and resources will work towards your mission.

This is where you share your project budget, income, and expenses. Please include as much detail as you can. **Attach separately, no more than 1 (ONE) page.**

1. What do you believe you need from Ignite and how will you and your partners use it?
2. Besides Ignite funds, how else will this partnership be resourced, financially and in other ways? (Please tell us what resources all the partners are bringing to this mission. For example, building use, staff time, financing, prayer, volunteers, training, marketing, etc.)

## **When can we send our invitation? Deadlines and other pertinent info.**

### ***When can we apply for funding?***

Your invitation may be sent to Ignite as soon as it is ready to be reviewed. Ignite will receive invitations as they are prepared, consider them as we are able at our next meeting, and announce our responses at the next Presbytery meeting.

### ***When will we receive Ignite's response to our invitation?***

Ignite will try to respond to your invitation within 30-60 days, depending on our meeting schedule and the number of invitations we receive.

Ignite may respond to some invitations with a request for more information at that time. Invitations that are requesting \$20,000 or more and are actively being considered by Ignite will be asked to prepare a dynamic presentation, a “pitch”, to present to Ignite in conjunction with the next Presbytery meeting at an Ignite Combustion Chamber. At this time, we'll talk through together what our partnership could look like. After these presentations, Ignite will respond to those seeking larger amounts with a final answer.

All invitations we receive can expect to hear whether or not Ignite wants to continue the conversation about your project. If Ignite replies, “Not yet,” please keep talking to Ignite about how to strengthen your proposal so you can apply another time.

Ignite grant recipients will be presented to the Presbytery. Recipients of grants below \$20,000 will be announced and celebrated. **Those receiving larger grants will be asked to provide a one-page description and present a dynamic, 5 minute presentation to invite the Presbytery into this proposed partnership.** Presbytery will be asked to say, “Yes” to engaging these partnerships and to join in celebrating the mission and ministry potential ignited by these proposals.

### ***When will we know at what funding level our invitation has been funded?***

Ignite hopes to be able to fund all approved projects in 2019 but release of funds will be constrained by the number of projects that are approved, the funding levels for these projects, funding priorities, and the amount of money available for grants.

Keep reading just a bit more.

### **Additional Information**

**Actually read this. Yes, all of it! There is a pop quiz**

Ignite funding recipients may be asked to: attend a training session at an upcoming presbytery meeting, be in communication with your Ignite liaison, submit a quarterly report reflecting on how things are going, and a final report no later than January 30, 2020. We may invite you to read a book on missional theology!

Projects should begin within 90 days of receipt of the award. If there are reasons funds cannot be spent by the end of 2019, then the project should request permission from IGNITE to carry funds over to the next calendar year.

Relationships require communication and accountability. Please send us a one-page descriptive report (for example, pictures, video, narrative) quarterly. We will want to see how our efforts have achieved or delivered the goals you set forth in your invitation. Let’s learn together. Don’t be afraid to tell us what worked and what didn’t. What did you and your partners learn?

A final report evaluating the use of Ignite funds is requested by January 30, 2020, assuming completion of the project by December 2019. All reports should be sent to Ignite at [ignite@ncpresbytery.org](mailto:ignite@ncpresbytery.org).

As your partners on behalf of the Presbytery, Ignite would eagerly receive your invitation to deepen our partnership. Invite us to see what you're doing or seek us out when you need help.

**RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO: [Ignite@ncpresbytery.org](mailto:Ignite@ncpresbytery.org)**

That's it!

Shine, Beloved. Shine!.

**Bold. Contextual. Relational.**