2020 MUSTARD SEED PROPOSALS **Due Monday, March 1, 2020 by noon**

Submit proposals by mail, e-mail or bring to:



First United Presbyterian Church, 1000 Douglas Ave. Attention: Mustard Seed Committee PO Box 37 Las Vegas, NM 87701 Email: <u>fupc.nm@gmail.com</u>

For more information call the church office at 425-7763 or Cordell Halverson at 505-235-7914, or e-mail ckh5@me.com

Background:

The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which someone took and sowed in his field; and this is smaller than all other seeds: but when it is full-grown it is larger than the garden plants, and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and nest in its branches. Matthew 13:31-32

This scripture inspired the Mustard Seed Program, which started in 1999 as a community outreach program. This year we have \$6,000 available to fund proposals. Usually we fund between 8 and 12 small projects. All proposals are rated on need, outreach, likely chance of a successful outcome, and must be consistent with our church's mission statement (below).

MISSION STATEMENT

With Christ as the center of our ministry, First United Presbyterian Church of Las Vegas, New Mexico is dedicated to sharing the love of Christ in our community and beyond.

Application Guidelines:

The objective of the *Mustard Seed* program is to fund special new and innovative projects. The budget is limited but we provide "seed" money to help with a project for one-time expenses. Relevance to one or more of the following focus areas should be addressed in the proposal:

- Youth participation/benefit
- Mission within or beyond the community
- Community/church-related project
- NOT part of a regular budget but rather a new special project

ALL PROPOSALS MUST:

- Be signed by the leader of the group and a First United Presbyterian Church member
- Include a specific plan, detailing how the money will be spent and who it will help
- Include <u>name, address, phone number, and email address</u> (if available) of the person who is submitting the request. Full contact information must be submitted for your proposal to be considered

Requirements for Fund Recipients:

- A short report must be submitted by the end of the calendar year
- A three to five-minute presentation on progress or results must be made to the congregation on a Sunday morning.

>>>>Again, please note that the Mustard Seed grants are not for on-going expenses. <<<<