

Excel In Giving Program Terms & Conditions

The ability to collect offerings and donations via electronic means is a best practice in ministry that CEF supports. The Excel In Giving program aims to remove some of the financial burden that providing this technology may cause ministries.

General

- 1) Member congregations and other ministries of the Michigan District LCMS in good standing are eligible to participate in the Excel In Giving program. Schools and other entities that are part of a congregation, churches who operate in multiple locations, or early childhood centers that are affiliated with a congregation or school, may only apply as one entity.
- 2) An entity that is delinquent on an existing CEF loan, or is not current on required CEF loan paperwork, is not eligible for the benefit.
- 3) All decisions regarding eligibility or approval are at the complete discretion of CEF.
- 4) Terms & Conditions may be periodically updated. Please check for any recent updates.

Benefit

- 1) Ministries can choose the electronic giving platform that is best for them, provided an invoice (or similar) can be produced for verification purposes by CEF.
- 2) An application must be fully completed to receive the \$250 benefit. It must be completed annually to continue to receive the benefit.
- 3) Applications will be available for download on the CEF website beginning the first business day of July of each year.
- 4) The Excel In Giving year is from July 1 to June 30.
- 5) Applications must be received by the CEF office by the last business day of October to receive the benefit for that year.
- 6) A check will be mailed to qualifying ministries to the address provided on the application on or around November 15.
- 7) Monthly fees, transaction fees, or software fees, as well as negotiating the payment structure with the electronic giving provider is now the sole responsibility of the ministry receiving the benefit.