



Grants for Growth Program

Networks are encouraged to put on or sponsor events consistent with the goals of IWIRC. While it is expected that such events will be funded by the Networks themselves, IWIRC International has earmarked money in its budget to supplement the funding of networking and recruiting initiatives by its Networks. Specifically, grants will be awarded to support the following types of activities:

Network Signing Bonus

- New networks will automatically receive a \$500 grant to fund member recruiting efforts and Network events

Regional and Multiple Network Events

- Grants are available to support regional events involving more than one IWIRC network or partnering with another relevant professional organization.

Recruiting Events

- Grants are available to support local events aimed primarily at increasing membership in IWIRC.

Networks in good standing may apply for a grant by submitting a proposal including:

- the objective of the initiative
- a description of the activity/event
- an outline of how the activity/event will be marketed
- the target audience and estimated number of attendees
- the amount of the grant requested
- a budget for the total cost of the activity/event
- how any costs over the amount of the requested grant will be paid for, including sponsorships from individuals or firms/companies. IWIRC may ask that these sponsorships be in the form of commitments before agreeing to provide the requested grant.
- if the activity/event is being sponsored jointly by IWIRC and another organization or by more than one IWIRC network, how the costs will be shared between the multiple organizations or networks
- acknowledgment that within a short time after the event, the host network(s) will report to IWIRC International on the actual attendance at the activity/event and the perceived success or lack of success of the activity/event (as required by the Network Rules of Operation).

Proposals will be considered by the IWIRC Executive Committee at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Executive Committee. In considering a grant request, the Executive Committee will take into consideration any prior grants received by a network (including the purposes and effectiveness) and other pending grant requests by the network. Grants will be determined at the sole discretion of the Executive Committee.

Grant requests should be sent to IWIRC, sbedker@iwirc.com, P.O. Box 249, Stanardsville, VA 22973. 434-939-6002, fax 434-939-6030.