

# Sandy Creek Baptist Association

## Mission Team Spending Guidelines 2025

### Statement of Purpose and Goals -

*The Association's Mission Team is in place to encourage and assist SCBA members as they strive to share the gospel, grow disciples, and serve as salt and light in a world that desperately needs to know Jesus Christ. Our goal is to be good stewards of association resources, operate expeditiously, and stand accountable.*

There are three main areas in which the SCBA Mission Team seeks to supply financial assistance with the budget of \$12,000.00. An organizational strategy is assigning \$4,000.00 to each of three areas; however, we understand there may be compelling needs, and we also have *Baptist Men, Church Planting, Disaster Recovery, Evangelism, and WMU* under the Mission Team umbrella. Please ask.

Area	Description	Supply	Parameters
I.	Financial boost as an encouragement to help an individual or group meet financial goals toward <b>going on mission</b>  Ex: cost of passport application; ticket	Up to \$1,000	As for a scholarship, this is for one application per person or group.  Apply once per year, or please offer a compelling need.
II.	Provision to meet <b>physical needs</b> such as the need for equipment or to achieve safety guidelines  Ex: generator; treated lumber for ramp; service and upgrades to the Association's disaster relief trailer	Up to \$1,000	One application per person, group, or project  Apply once per year, or please offer a compelling need.
III.	<b>Training and Project support</b> to help meet a ministry or outreach goal  Ex: costs associated with receiving training, fulfill quota in packing book bags; need for additional sneakers; need for gas money to deliver mission materials or donations	Up to \$1,000	One application per person, group, or project  Apply once per year, or please offer a compelling need.

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## SCBA Mission Team Ministry Areas

The SCBA Mission Team seeks to come alongside you for prayer, brainstorming, making connections and with help with organizing, problem-solving, and publicizing along these pathways. First steps begin with inspiration from God and association-wide dialogue and goal-setting. We hold a gumbo-sized umbrella for a medley of ministry areas. Our team asks that you share this information with leaders and the lay-leaders at your church.

	Ministry Area	Open Questions	Notes / Parameters and Examples
I.	Baptist Men	<p>Do Baptist Men's groups in individual churches...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ have an aspirational goal and seek partners and want contacts and connections?</li> <li>○ desire training in a specific area where we could band together?</li> </ul>	The Baptist Convention in NM has a menu of partnership opportunities for evangelism and revitalization efforts. An example is an opportunity for cooking at a Christian-based summer camp.
II.	Church Planting helping with Revitalization	Do our pastors and churches see an opening for church planting in the next 3 years? 5 years?	Research shows that the most people coming to Christ are doing so through the work of <i>new</i> and church plant churches.
III.	Disaster Recovery	<p>How can we continue to help long term and short-term needs in WNC?</p> <p>What do we anticipate are needs in 6 months? 12 months? 2 years?</p> <p>Consider the implications of federal grant and funding streams <i>closing</i>. For example, if coverage for school breakfasts and school lunches is cut, we may have unprecedented local need.</p>	Our Association has a reasonably well-stocked disaster response trailer & generator that were serviced in the fall of 2024. The trailer is ready for road travel but not for off-road or mud/snow travel.
IV.	Evangelism	Knowing we are to win the lost to Christ, make disciples, fellowship & break bread together, worship God, and care for widows & orphans, where is God working and how can we come alongside?	This is an emphasis for all teams throughout the SCBA. How can we operate as a think-tank that activates?
V.	WMU	<p>Do ladies or girls' groups in individual churches ...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ have an aspirational goal and seek partners and want contacts and connections?</li> <li>○ desire training in a specific area where we could band together?</li> </ul>	
VI.	Building Networks & Messaging	How can we build networks that reach & activate lay church workers?	Our SCBA newsletter is terrific, but pastors are saturated. Let's reach the <i>other</i> workers remembering that not every church has a secretary.

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**Request to the Association's Mission Team**

Applicants, for a financial boost, email your request for fastest response. Pertinent information and the details in a list or narrative format may speed the process. You are welcome to call-in or mail your request to the Sandy Creek Baptist Association address, but it is not necessary. Information the team will want to consider is here below. Simply send the information in an email, so that we can prayerfully and expeditiously collaborate, consider, and respond.

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**1. Name of the person making the request and contact information.**

(A pastor/youth minister/WMU Director/Baptist Men's Director, for example, may be making the request.)

**2. A backup/second contact person and contact information.**

**3. Church or group - mailing address – best phone number – email address.**

**4. Name of the person who receives and opens the mail if not already provided.**

**5. The ministry goal or objective. Please be specific.**

**6. In a paragraph or two, describe the need and situation.**

**7. Est. timeline for when the assistance is needed and in what form it should come.**

**8. A specific request for prayer so that we may come alongside you spiritually.**

**9. Any other information you would like the mission team consider.**

**10. So that we build a communication network with lay-workers in your church, please share names and contact information of your reliable *get-it-done* people?**

(examples: WMU, Baptist Men, Youth Leaders, Children's Leaders, Discipleship facilitators, church mission team facilitators, Bible Study facilitators)

**May you be richly blessed as you strive to be  
on mission and serve obediently in the will of God.**

***"We are therefore Christ's ambassadors ..."***

**2 Corinthians 5:20**

