

"BUILDING **PARTNERSHIPS IN CHRIST**, TO EMPOWER COMMUNITIES OF FAITH TO BE THE BODY OF CHRIST FOR THE WORLD."

### 2021 COMMUNITY OUTREACH BLOCK GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE FEBRUARY 1

The Presbytery of the Peaks (POP) has funds budgeted for Block Grants each year. These are for local community organizations such as tutoring programs, clinics, adult care, jail ministry or other community care programs. The money for these grants is dispensed by the Grant Workgroup of the Mission Committee. The committee anticipates from \$500 to \$1500 will be available for each grant in 2021.

All POP congregations and 2020 grant recipients have received "Block" grant application information. To learn more, visit <u>peakspresbytey.org</u> and click on Ministry/Mission. Applications must be emailed or postmarked by February 1.

## Applications can be mailed to the Presbytery Office at: PO Box 2519, Forest, VA 24551

or emailed to:

julie@peakspresbytery.org



# For Clerks of Session

Jan. 9 Clerk of Session Training Feb. 5 Necrology List due to Office Feb. 19 Updated Church Contact Forms and Pulpit Supply Form due to office \*Forms can be emailed to julie@peakspresbytery.org or mailed to: PO Box 2519 Forest, VA 24551

## **NEW MILEAGE RATE FOR 2021**

The IRS has announced a new 2021 mileage rate for minister reimbursed mileage. The new rate, effective January 1, 2021 is 56 cents per mile. This amount represents a decrease from the 2020 rate of 57.5 cents per mile. If there are any questions, contact Robin Padgett at the Presbytery office (434-845-1754 or robin@peakspresbytery.org).



Back by popular demand! Our first "Taste of Guatemala" event in November was such a success we have decided to offer it a second time. If you were not able to make the first event, be sure to register today using the link below. For those of you who attended our November event, keep in mind that the program on February 11 will be the same. But we do encourage you to pass on this link to family and friends.

Registration is \$52 per household. This includes: four hand-crafted Guatemalan/Nicaraguan chocolate bars from <u>Triangle Roasters</u> and <u>Diego's</u> <u>Chocolates</u> - delivered right to your front door, an interactive tasting with chocolate sommelier <u>Estelle Tracy of 37 Chocolates</u>, a short virtual journey to Guatemala with CEDEPCA staff, and a \$20 tax-deductible donation. Payment information will be provided in your registration confirmation. Makes a great experience to give for Christmas!





Do you work with youth? If yes, then this survey is for YOU! Our Youth Council is currently planning a virtual event for the youth of our presbytery this April. We would appreciate feedback from our congregations to know what would be of most value to your youth.

<u>PoPYoCo Game Day/Mini-Retreat Interest Survey</u> (google.com)

#### TREASURERS-IMPORTANT DATES FOR JANUARY

The last date for receipt of Presbytery donations to be included in 2020 is **January 12, 2021**. Funds received after this date will be included in the 2021 receipts.

W-2's, W-3 (for Federal and State) are due by January 31, 2021. The fourth quarter 941 filing is also due January 31, 2021. (Note: It is a good check to match the quarterly 941 to the W-3 totals). If there are any questions regarding the year end forms preparation, contact Robin Padgett at the Presbytery office (434-845-1754 or robin@peakspresbytery.org).

## **Presbytery Calendar**

1-12-21 9:30a.m. Committee on Preparation for Ministry
1-12-21 3:00 p.m. Peacemaking Workgroup
1-14-21 9:30 a.m. Committee on Ministry
1-14-21 12:00 p.m. Committee on Discipleship

2021 Presbytery Meeting Dates Feb. 18, 2021 (Thursday) May 1, 2021 (Saturday)

#### August 14, 2021 (Saturday) November 18, 2021 (Thursday)

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