



Connecting God's Family by Knowing,
Loving and Serving so that the
World might Experience Christ's Love

Benevolence Application

Please read this page carefully before completing the application

- Keller United Methodist Church (Keller UMC) members, regular attendees and people not associated with Keller UMC may apply for financial assistance through our Benevolence Ministry. Members' and regular attendees' requests will be given priority for assistance; however, whenever possible the needs of people not associated with Keller UMC will be considered.
- Although it is our sincere desire to provide financial assistance to all who ask, we are unable to consider any requests except those that are short-term in nature. We are not able to provide long-term assistance. Also, we do not help with childcare, long-term or chronic medical, credit card, taxes or legal expenses.
- Upon completion of the Benevolence application, please return it to the Keller UMC church office or email to office@kellerumc.org. Please feel free to take this form home for completion at your convenience.
- Once Keller UMC has received an application it will be reviewed and information verified. Applicants will be contacted by the Administrative Assistant to discuss the request and schedule an interview with a pastor. Interviews are scheduled on Wednesdays beginning at 4:30pm. (There may be times when special meetings are arranged to meet the needs of the applicant or can be done by phone in extreme circumstances.)
- When an interview is scheduled with a pastor the applicant must:
 - Come to the Keller UMC reception area (Narthex/Lobby of main building), bring copies of bills, invoices, eviction notices, paychecks or any other documentation that is required to accurately understand the applicant's financial situation.
 - If funds are approved and available, check(s) will be made payable to the service provider(s) to whom the bill(s) are owed.
- All information provided on the Benevolence application will be kept as private as possible, so please be open and honest in responding to questions. We are not here to judge anyone, but rather to provide compassionate assistance according to our guidelines and available resources in the time of difficulty.
- In order for applicants to discuss these issues candidly and without distraction, it is requested that applicants arrange for childcare during the interview with the pastor. Please let the Administrative Assistant know if you cannot find childcare and we will try to assist.
- The Benevolence process may take up to one week. Failure to bring required documents could delay the process. Filling out this application and/or an interview with a pastor **does not** guarantee that monetary assistance will be provided.

Please keep this page of the application for your review and compliance



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Name:	Date:
Address:	City/State/Zip:
How long at address?	Email:
Home phone:	Cell/work phone:
How many living in household?	DL# (please attach copy also)
Previous Address:	City/St Zip:
How long at this address?	
Approximate monthly household income:	
Current employer:	
How did you hear about Keller UMC?	
Who referred you to Keller UMC?	
Have you or anyone in your household been assisted by Keller UMC?	
If yes, when and what assistance was provided?	
Describe what assistance you are requesting today.	



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What Crisis or situation has caused you to ask for assistance?

If assisted by Keller UMC, how will you pay for next month's rent/utilities?

Have you been assisted by any other church/agency/organization?
If yes, provide the name and assistance received:

If you are not associated with Keller UMC and living outside Keller/Northwest ISD (zip codes included are 76244,76248,76137,76092,76262), you should contact organizations in your area for assistance.

Release of Information

I authorize the release of information to Keller United Methodist Church (Keller UMC) to receive the assistance I am requesting. I further certify the information I have stated is true and correct and that all income is reported. I understand the Keller UMC may verify the information on this application and that the deliberate misrepresentation of information may subject me to denial of assistance/services.

I give permission for Keller UMC to discuss my case with other agencies, businesses, churches, attorneys, individuals and any others deemed necessary to verify application information and/or identify additional sources of assistance. I understand that all information will remain as private as possible within these entities.

I have read, understood and agree to the policies above regarding the Release of Information.

Signature

Date