



1—Project Name: NW Collegiate Ministries

2—If this grant is being requested on behalf of an external organization, what is that organization's name and connection with Texas Baptists? N/A

3—Please request the minimum amount needed—with a maximum of \$20,000 possible—in order to accomplish the project's goals.

\$20,000.00 (*budget attached*)

4—Overview: Give a one paragraph description of the project.

The Gospel Around the Sound initiative has been an effort to relaunch NW Collegiate Ministries (NCM) in the Seattle metro region. NCM is BSM for the NW. The goal is to have NCM, gospel centered, church related, evangelistic collegiate ministries on every public and private university and college we can access in the Seattle region.

5—STRATEGIC: How will this project make Texas Baptists stronger?

As a Reach the Campus Reach the World BSM partner, we provide opportunities for TX BSM partners to engage in mission and ministry on campuses with less than 2% Christian presence. Through short and long-term mission partnerships with GO Now, we have seen Texas students become more confident in engaging their home campus with the Gospel when they return home. There is no more strategic location for the Gospel than the college and university campus.

6—SIGNIFICANT: What is the anticipated long-term impact of this project?

In the Seattle area, several pastors and church leaders are “alumni” of BSMs in the South or NCM from many years ago. Future pastors and church leaders from the area must be developed for the area. Reaching and discipling students on campus lays the groundwork for future church leaders, pastors, and missionaries for the NW and the world. If we can reach the campus, we truly can reach our cities, states, and the world for Christ.

7—SUSTAINABLE: How will the grant help this project become self-supporting?

The grant gives us a longer on-ramp to help our metro NCM strategist/missionary develop partners in his friends and family group as well as local partnerships in the Seattle metro with churches and association. It also allows us more time to see the NW Baptist Convention and other sources develop to create a long-term solution, where there has been no work or collegiate presence in many years.

8—INNOVATIVE: How will this project break new ground?

Through our partnership with BSM mission teams, we have already discovered persons of peace, churches, and students who were looking for this type of ministry on their campus. Two new ministries have been started this past year as a result of Brad's presence this past year, with the potential of 5 more new ones in the next year if we can recruit or develop leadership as well as partnership with local churches to provide leadership on unreached campuses.

9—INVOLVING: How will the churches served by Texas Baptists be included in this project?

We have had mission teams from Texas Baptists churches as well as BSM teams serve in Seattle. Both have been important in the development of new ministries in the Seattle region. **How many churches will be involved?** Brad has done an incredible job connecting with local Puget Sound churches. So many local churches, and there have been a long history of Texas partnership with church planting in the Seattle area. How many is a difficult question.

10—INTERESTING: How will this project produce helpful stories and encourage donor engagement for future ministry support?

Hearing incredible stories of changed lives and how the Lord is moving among young adults in the most secular region of the US. Also, there will be stories of how their local TX churches and BSMs have had a huge impact in seeing God's kingdom expanded.

11—Has this project received previous TBMF grants? If YES, list years and amounts.

2022 - Special Grant of \$5,000

2023 - \$20,000 for the Gospel Around the Sound

12—Is this request for an ongoing project with a new name? If YES, what was the former name of the project?

N/A

BUDGET AA – Northwest Collegiate Ministry (NCM) Budget for 2024

Table A – 2024 Expenditures*

A1. Administration	42,500
A2. Payroll (9 staff)	508,118 – Friends/Family funds
A3. Min to students	40,454
A4. Retreats/Conferences	15,500
A5. Ministry Partner Development	10,000
A6. GO Now Missions	15,000
<u>A7. Regional Staff Expense</u>	<u>27,800</u>
A8. Total Expenditures actual/projected 2024	659,372

Table B – 2024 Income *

B1. Friends and Family contributions and churches	670,000
B2. NW Baptist Convention-Staff retreats/state director travel and expenses	27,000
<u>B3. Interstate Baptist Convention local campus expenses</u>	<u>17,000</u>
 B4. Total Revenue*	 714,000

* Note for 2024 \$99,184 in Gospel Around the Sound gifts have been received to be used in 2026 to add the collegiate minister's Friends and Family gifts for Puget Sound. However, this total has not been recorded in Table AA or BB as these funds are for use in 2026 and 2027. Additionally, the 2025 payroll budget will increase as we are adding 3 new staff members in Fall 2025.

Proposed 2026 BUDGET BB – Gospel Around the Sound

Total income 12/2021 through December 31, 2024 for the Gospel Around the Sound initiative.

\$340,000 in Gifts – these will match Friends and Family gifts.

The NCM Seattle Metro Strategist started in October 2023. This grant will help support the NCM Seattle Metro Strategist as part of the "Gospel Around the Sound" initiative. If approved, the \$20,000 gift from the Texas Baptist Missions Foundation will be used in 2026 to match Friends and Family money to provide the salary, benefits and ministry expenses for the Seattle Metro collegiate minister. The rest of the compensation will be provided on a matching basis from funds raised in 2024/25. The funds requested will be disbursed in 2026.

MONTH	SOURCE OF FUNDS: FRIENDS AND FAMILY	GOSPEL AROUND THE SOUND	TBMF (if approved)	TOTAL
January	\$5,000	\$4,600	\$1,665	\$11,265
February	\$5,000	\$4,600	\$1,665	\$11,265
March	\$5,000	\$4,600	\$1,665	\$11,265
April	\$5,000	\$4,600	\$1,665	\$11,265
May	\$5,000	\$4,600	\$1,665	\$11,265
June	\$5,000	\$4,600	\$1,665	\$11,265
July	\$5,000	\$4,600	\$1,665	\$11,265
August	\$5,000	\$4,600	\$1,665	\$11,265
September	\$5,000	\$4,600	\$1,665	\$11,265
October	\$5,000	\$4,600	\$1,665	\$11,265

November	\$5,000	\$4,600	\$1,665	\$11,265
December	\$5,000	\$4,400	\$1,685	\$11,085
TOTAL	\$60,000	\$55,000	\$20,000	\$135,000
RESERVE**	Based on Donor giving	Based on Donor giving		

**The reserve is based on a starting balance of \$217,197 with expenditures of \$55,000 for 23, 24, and 25, leaving a balance of \$163,000 for use as a match for Friends and Family gifts in 2026. Note that the balance will continue to increase for the Gospel Around the Sound as fundraising efforts and network building are ongoing. Additional new NCM Seattle staff will also impact the reserve for the Gospel Around the Sound initiative.

Note that efforts to secure support in the Puget Sound Area are ongoing and the relationships are growing and positive. We have the use of a house owned by a church. A few Puget Sound Baptist Association Churches have begun supporting NCM in Seattle in the past year. We will continue to pursue a partnership with the Puget Sound Baptist Association and other NW partners. The Northwest Baptist Convention is projected to increase its support in 2026.