

EXPLANATION OF CRITERIA FOR FUNDING AGENCIES AND PROJECTS

The New Life Diaconate will consider partnering with organizations that:

1. BUILD COMMUNITY

- Local projects and agencies that build and strengthen New Life's relationship to its community. Projects and agencies that have potential for bringing people into the church community.
- Regional projects and agencies that further New Life's relationship to Greater Philadelphia and the Delaware Valley.
- Other projects and agencies that further New Life's relationship to the nation and world.

2. DEMONSTRATE RESULTS

- Projects and agencies that demonstrate results in working with at-risk people groups in disadvantaged areas.
- Projects and agencies that provide emergency relief where genuinely needed, appropriate development in longer term situations, and that consistently address root causes.

*This criterion does not automatically preclude first-time projects or start-ups. We will look at any involvement history, the project's sustainability, proposed use of diversified resources, etc. as we prayerfully consider these requests.

3. COMBINE WORD AND DEED MINISTRY

- Projects and agencies that provide opportunities for the advancement of the Gospel.
- Projects and agencies that meet both spiritual and physical needs.

4. USE RESOURCES WISELY

- Projects and agencies that raise funds from multiple sources.
- Projects and agencies that maintain accountability by reporting honestly about their finances and the governance of their organization.

ADDITIONAL NOTE CONCERNING LOCATION

Priority will be given projects and agencies that strengthen our community. Therefore, priority will be given to: 1) local projects and agencies (those in New Life's immediate vicinity), then to 2) regional projects and agencies (those in Philadelphia and the Delaware Valley), and then to 3) global projects and agencies (those that are national and international).