Below are application questions that will be used in our discussion. Numbers and analytics don’t tell the whole story. We should use our hearts and heads, and prayer.

1. Please begin by describing the scope of the proposed project:

2. Assess the viability of the potential mission program/project:
   a. Are we confident in their stability, trajectory, and longevity, given how long have they been functioning?
   b. Is there qualified leadership? Please describe and name the leaders and their positions.
   c. How will this program/project ensure transparency with their financial accountability and activities (frequency & detail of requests and information)? And, who will be doing accounting and providing reports?
   d. Are there other considerations that need careful thought and planning, i.e. project administration, insurance, MOUs, contracts, tax reporting, legal considerations, PR, goals, objectives, outcomes, budget and budget narrative, permission for photographing minors, etc.?
3. Does the result of this program/project’s work align with the East Bay’s vision as stated in our criterion document? And what are the goals/objectives for this program/project?

4. What is the monetary amount of resources requested?

5. Describe the need that our resources may alleviate.

6. Does the program/project have the ability to provide qualified updates?

7. How many congregations could feasibly be engaged with this program/project?

8. To what extent will a variety of congregations, with different means and abilities, be able to be involved?

9. Which, if any, churches in our region are connected to this program/project?
10. With the funds they are already receiving, if applicable, is the program/project thriving on its own?

11. Is the current leadership affecting the organization positively? Or, who will lead this program/project and how will the leaders be organized?

12. Is the functionality and sustainability of the program/project strong?

13. If this program/project is addressing a similar concern as an existing partner/project, how superior is this partner/project’s approach to the issue it addresses and is this the best/most effective use of the presbytery’s money?

14. Is there a reliable member of the East Bay congregations that will continue to champion this program/project and ensure its success and; can they secure enough involvement of members to help it become sustainable?

15. We hope to work with a four-stage funding cycle. (see Approval Criteria document #6) Describe the phases as they related to this program/project.

16. How will this program/project end?