

Future Anabaptist Leaders Program

WHO?

The Future Anabaptist Leaders Program is designed for young adults who are interested in exploring leadership opportunities in congregations and passion ministries in Colorado and New Mexico. The program is financially supported by Mountain States Mennonite Conference in conjunction with the church or passion ministry being served.

WHAT?

Pastors and congregations play a major role in encouraging young people to envision themselves as Anabaptist leaders. This program offers faith communities the chance to provide young people ages 18-30 opportunities to try on leadership roles, expand their imagination about what is possible through the church and passion ministries, and affirm young adults' gifts for serving the church and community.

Applicants may apply for funding for pastoral or passion ministry internships. Interns will be supervised by a minister credentialed in Mountain States Mennonite Conference. Funding may vary each year depending on the number of applicants, the conference's budget, and on the congregation or church-related ministry's size and capacity. The goal is to help cover room and board and basic necessities for the intern, not to be comparable to a full-time employment salary with benefits.

WHEN?

The application deadline is midnight on April 1 for summer internships and June 1 for academic year-long internships.

Grant recipients are required to provide reports on their internship.

- Summer Internship: 3-month report after receiving their award.
- Academic Year-long Internship: 6 and 12 months after receiving their award.

These are non-renewable grants.

HOW?

Complete applications include:

- Application form
- Proposal narrative
- Two letters of reference
- Once accepted, an MOU will be signed by the participant and a credentialed leader supervising them in their sponsoring ministry.

Applications will be reviewed by the Conference Moderator, Conference Minister, and local leader(s) in the ministry setting that would be partnering with the intern.