

Appendix A

Annette Brown Bequest

Annette Brown's life was deeply impacted by her experiences in youth ministry in the Presbyterian Church. When she passed away in July 2021, Ms. Brown left \$16,000 to the Presbytery of the Miami Valley (PMV). Upon receiving this kind and generous bequest and learning of Ms. Brown's dedication to and interest in youth ministry, it has been recommended that this be gifted to the Presbyterian Youth Connection (PYC) Network of the PMV. The PYC Network has been actively hosting youth events and providing funding for PMV youth to attend ministry and mission events since at least the 1990s (when it was the PYC Council). The PYC Network could use this funding in a variety of ways to providing meaningful, spiritual, and engaging experiences for young people in the presbytery. Examples are below.

- The PYC Network itself is an opportunity for youth to minister to other youth while being advised by youth ministry leaders across the presbytery.
- Almost every year since at least the 1990s, the PYC Network has hosted a Spring Youth Retreat (formerly Spring Youth Rally). For many years, PYC brought in speakers from across the country and the event drew 80-100 youth and their advisors from across PMV. PYC would greatly appreciate the opportunity to fund speakers again. (The PMV Network Support Committee does provide generous funding for speakers, but this funding could enhance who the PYC Network is able to invite.)
- Since at least the 1990s, the presbytery has provided 1/3 of the funds needed for youth to attend the Presbyterian Youth Triennium (PYT) and also funding to host global partners. This event brings youth from around the world together for several days every three years for an incredible time of fellowship, worship, and small group reflection.