

# North Pacific Union

## Young Adult Outreach Summit

### Spark Tank Guidelines

**THE GOAL:** To empower young adults to develop new and innovative approaches to compassionately serve or enthusiastically share the incredible Adventist message of hope and wholeness. **All outreach endeavors must have an “On Ramp” opportunity to discover God’s love in His Word through small group Bible Study, church worship service, or evangelistic meetings.**

Teams will present ideas to a panel of young adults and advocates who will then select the best ideas to fund. Maximum Spark Tank award is up to 50% of Project Cost (example: up to \$5,000 award for a \$10,000 project cost). The Remaining 50% of your Project Cost must be funded by your Local church. There is \$50,000 set aside for this Spark Tank initiative!

#### Guidelines:

- 1. 3-member Young Adult Team:** Each team must have a minimum of 2 presenters (maximum of 3)
- 2. Presentation Time:** Up to 6-minute presentation, with a 4-minute Q & A to follow.
- 3. Organize missional outreach concept for Power Point presentation:**
  - When
  - Where
  - What
  - Describe your “On Ramp”
  - Hoped for Outcomes
- 4. Receive and Submit one of the following to the NPUC ([velvet.lang@nw.npuc.org](mailto:velvet.lang@nw.npuc.org))**
  - Email from your Pastor, stating his support of concept and confirmation that he/she will submit the request to the Church Board for approval, to fund 50% of your project.
  - Email from Pastor with Church Board Approval
- 5. Complete “Spark Tank Project Form” and Submit the following – by August 23, 2026:**
  - Save Fillable Form to your computer.
  - Complete Fillable Form and resave to your computer
  - Email the following to the NPUC ([velvet.lang@nw.npuc.org](mailto:velvet.lang@nw.npuc.org)) AND cc: your Conference YA Director (see [npuc.org/spark](http://npuc.org/spark) for Conference Young Adult Director email address):
    - Completed Application
    - 1-page document of Project Budget
- 6. Submit Power Point Presentation by Friday, September 4, 2026.**

**If Awarded Funds, the following must be submitted by October 11, 2026, to [velvet.lang@nw.npuc.org](mailto:velvet.lang@nw.npuc.org):**

- **Email from the Pastor with:**
  - 1. Church Board Action** – stating the voted action by the church board committing to a minimum of 50% of the project budget, including the dollar amount voted.
  - 2. Fund Use Agreement Form** – signed by the Pastor, agreeing that funds will be used for the purpose of the approved project/initiative as stated on the Spark Tank Application, and will be utilized by December of the following year, or returned to the NPUC to empower other young adults.
- **Email from Spark Tank Team Leader with:**
  - 1. Spark Tank Report Agreement Form** – signed by the Team Leader, agreeing to share a 3–5-minute video report on how things are going at the following years Spark Tank. A “win” is defined as trying something and learning together. We celebrate engagement!

#### Funds Disbursement:

- Once the above documentation has been received, NPUC Funds will be sent to the local conference, then the conference will send funds onto the sponsoring local church for project use.