

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 should have an “on ramp” opportunity for a small group Bible Study, meeting, church worship service, or evangelistic meetings to discover God’s loves in His Word for them.

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 \$60,000 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
 - Hoped for Outcomes
4. **Share concept with your Church Pastor and receive one of the following:**
 - 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.
5. **Complete “Spark Tank Project Form” and Submit by August 24, 2025:**
 - Save Fillable Form to your computer.
 - Complete Fillable Form and resave to your computer
 - Email the following to your Conference Young Adult Director (see [NPUC YA Webpage](#) for email address)
 - ☐ Forward the email from Pastor
 - ☐ Attach: completed Spark Tank Project Form
 - ☐ Attach: 1-page document of Project Budget

If Awarded Funds, Submit by October 12, 2025, to velvet.lang@nw.npuc.org :

- **Email from the Pastor:**
 1. **Church Board Action** – stating the voted action by the church board, and the church’s commitment for 50% of the project budget.
 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:**
 1. **Spark Tank Report Agreement Form** – signed by the Team Leader, agreeing to share a 3-5 minute in-person report and/or 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!

Fund 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.