



Southwestern Minnesota Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
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ENDOWMENT FUND

CONGREGATIONAL MISSION GRANTS FOR 2020

Endowment Fund Mission Statement

Empower and support the congregations of the Southwestern Minnesota Synod of the ELCA enabling growth in Christian faith and service to God's people.

Focus of the 2020 grant program

The Southwestern Minnesota Synod Endowment Fund grant program for 2020 is looking for projects in the following areas: Community Outreach, Youth Activities, and Special Mission projects. These grants are intended for new initiatives or for significant expansions of existing programs to serve new people. We are particularly interested in proposals that involve partnerships with other faith communities and organizations in the community.

Congregations of the SW MN Synod, as well as Campus Ministries, are invited to apply.

The Endowment Committee will consider requests in any amount, subject to available funds.

Deadlines

July 1, 2019	Application must be received.
October 15, 2019	Applicants will be informed if the Committee has approved or denied the proposal on or before this date.
November 30, 2019	Successful applicants return signed agreement form by this date.
January 1, 2020	Funds will be available for distribution.

Granted funds must be used for the planned project by November 30, 2020.

Final accounting and a report is due 60 days following the completion of the project event(s). A form will be supplied for this purpose. The report must be or include a short article about your mission project with photos to share in our SW MN Synod online e-newsletter.

An **online grant application** is available at www.swmnelca.org/grants.

The application link will be on the Mission Grant tab menu.

For more information, please contact:

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Endowment Committee Members:

Anthony Christoffels	Circle of Faith Parish, Welcome
Chuck Engebretson	Celebration Lutheran, Sartell
Caren Johnson	Our Savior's Lutheran, Montevideo
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CONGREGATION INFORMATION

Name _____ Date _____

Mailing Address _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Contact Person _____

Details of previous grants from SW MN Synod Endowment Fund (include event, dates and granted amount).
If none, check here

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title _____

Date(s) of Event _____ Grant Requested Amount \$ _____

Indicate category of your request:

_____ Community Outreach _____ Youth Activities _____ Special Mission Projects

Describe your project.

What are your goals for this event?

Who will be served? How will they benefit?

How many people are expected to participate and what is the benefit of their participating?

How will this project support the mission of the SW MN Synod Endowment Fund?

What else should the Endowment Committee keep in mind as we review your proposal?

PROJECT BUDGET

Provide a complete budget for your event.

Include all anticipated and requested revenue sources and planned expenses.

Income Sources

Fundraisers: \$ _____

Donations: \$ _____

Other income: \$ _____

Endowment Fund Request: \$ _____

Total Income: \$ _____

Expenses

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

Total Expenses: \$ _____

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By mail or in person:

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