



Endowment Grant Application
The Lutheran Church of St. Andrew

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In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus says, *"The Kingdom of Heaven is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field; which indeed is smaller than all seeds. But when it is grown, it is greater than the herbs, and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in its branches."* (Matthew 13:31–32)

The Endowment Committee of The Lutheran Church of St. Andrew is ready to begin planting mustard seeds! The LCSA Endowment was established in 2018 *"to provide a means so that gifts can honor and memorialize loved ones with greater permanence or provide a legacy to the Church on behalf of an individual, family or organization."* The LCSA Endowment Committee, blessed with an Endowment fund totaling more than \$150,000 in assets will make disbursements in December of each calendar year. The Endowment Committee sets the total amount to be distributed each year at a level representing a portion of the Endowment's investment returns. According to established guidelines, the Endowment's principal will never be spent.

The Endowment Committee awards grants to worthy charitable organizations or ministries serving our community, nation or world that honor God, uphold the values of St. Andrew, and spread the love of Jesus to those in need. Eligible charities might demonstrate their missions through any one or a combination of these:

- Including the word of God, the Bible, or Bible studies as a part of their outreach.
- Encouraging their clients/beneficiaries to worship God and Jesus.
- Featuring a discussion of Christianity as part of their organizational message and branding.

The annual grant application deadline is November 15. Members are invited to encourage eligible organizations they know to apply. The application, to be completed by each charity or mission requesting a gift, is available on the following page or at mystandrew.org/endowment. Members are encouraged to share the application link with charities or missions. While the Endowment Committee does not set a limit on the amount of a gift to a single charity/mission, nor on the number of charities/missions to be considered for or awarded a gift, the Committee may choose to provide a charity a lesser amount than is requested, or may be unable to fund an applicant at all.

Questions may be directed to the Endowment Committee Chair at endowment@mystandrew.org.

The St. Andrew Endowment Committee thanks all who have provided gifts to the Endowment and reminds St. Andrew members that the Endowment continues to welcome legacy gifts. Learn more about St. Andrew's Endowment by downloading a brochure at mystandrew.org/endowment. The Committee also thanks those who will help identify charities and missions for consideration and complete the attached application. You are all helping the St. Andrew community plant mustard seeds that will grow as a continued blessing in the years ahead.

Applicants: Please provide the requested information on the form provided or in a similar layout and email to endowment@mystandrew.org no later than November 15.

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This grant application must be completed and submitted within the stated time frame for consideration of being approved for a grant from the Endowment Fund at The Lutheran Church of St Andrew. The submission of this request should not be considered in any way an approval of your request.

Name of Organization Making Request:

Address:

Phone number:

Email address:

Organization Contact Name:

Amount being requested:

Mission of the organization:

Detail how the organization honors God, upholds the values of St. Andrew, and spreads the love of Jesus to those in need.

Detail what needs will be addressed with requested monies, with a particular focus on how the use of a gift will help the organization to spread the love of Jesus Christ and the word of God.

What would be the consequences if monies are not awarded?

Project Follow-up Report:

Please note that if your organization is selected to receive a grant from The Lutheran Church of St Andrew Endowment fund you will be asked to provide a written follow-up report providing goals/objectives, project accomplishments, other sources of funding, and details on other developments/achievements. We thank you for your interest in the Endowment Fund of The Lutheran Church of St Andrew.