



*Soli Deo Gloria*  
TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY

# Fostering Healthy Congregations Grant Guidelines

Fostering Healthy Congregations grants are designed to proclaim the Gospel and give glory to God by:

- Encouraging and funding initiatives at Member Congregations which foster healthy congregations, and intentional outreach and evangelism; and
- Enabling Member Congregations to reach those most in need.

These grants are for program and ministry to strengthen the church, reach out to the world, and to glorify God. They will not be awarded for equipment, furnishings, building repairs, property improvements, or for items that would be considered ordinary operating expenses.

If a Member Congregation wants to give a portion of their grant to other organizations, no more than \$2,500 will be considered. The following conditions apply:

- The goals and objectives of the organization receiving the funds from the Member Congregation should be compatible with the mission of The Lutheran Foundation.
- The congregation receiving the grant must have a personal investment in the ministry that it desires to support (financial support, volunteers, etc.).

Grant applications will not be considered if outstanding reports have not been received by The Lutheran Foundation.

A grant application is considered complete when all information requested is post-marked by the dates listed below or delivered to the Foundation no later than 3:00 p.m.

If an application deadline is on a weekend, the application must be postmarked by the deadline date or delivered to the Foundation no later than 3:00 p.m. on Friday.

<b>FHC Application Deadline</b>	<b>FHC Decision Date</b>
February 1	End of March
May 1	End of June
August 1	End of September

Fostering Healthy Congregations grant applications will not be accepted after August 1.

Please answer questions 1 through 5 for each request. Member Congregations may submit only 1 grant application for the Fostering Healthy Congregations initiative. However, the congregation may have multiple requests included in that single application but they all must be submitted as one application. If your congregation has multiple requests, complete questions 1 through 5 for each request and number the requests sequentially.

If you have any questions please contact the Foundation at 260.458.2112 or email [grants@thelutheranfoundation.org](mailto:grants@thelutheranfoundation.org).

## Fostering Healthy Congregations Grant Application

Request Date	
Member Congregation	
Street Address	
City, State Zip	
Telephone	
Fax	
Email Address	
Website	
Contact for Grant	
Telephone	
Email Address	

Required Signatures:

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Pastor

\_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Congregation Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name

*These signatures certify that this grant application has been approved by your congregation.*

Submit one copy of completed application to:

The Lutheran Foundation  
3024 Fairfield Avenue  
Fort Wayne, IN 46807

**Request #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount Requested \$** \_\_\_\_\_

1. A description of the initiative proposed, including staff and volunteers that will be required to accomplish the desired goal, and the projected cost. If the requested funding is to be given to another organization, what is your congregation's personal investment in that ministry (financial support, volunteers, etc.)?

2. A description of how the grant proposal will demonstrate the compassion of Christ.

3. How will this grant strengthen your congregation?

4. How will the grant help your congregation make Christ known in your community?

5. Why is Foundation funding necessary to accomplish the desired goal?