



Funding Opportunities for Previous Grantees

Information Session

Past & Current Grantees



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Welcome!

Today's Agenda


- o Lutheran Foundation Background
- o 2020-2024 Strategic Plan
- o Overview of Grant Process
- o Questions



Our History





1858
*Rev. Johann Buenger forms
Lutheran Hospital*



1984
*Lutheran Hospital sold; proceeds used
to form Lutheran Charities Foundation*

1996
*Lutheran Foundation of St. Louis is
established as a separate entity*





Our Vision

Lutheran Foundation of St. Louis sees the Church brought into the lives of hurting people and people included in the healing life of the Church.



Our Mission

To the honor of Christ Jesus, the Lutheran Foundation of St. Louis seeks the improved care of people in the greater St. Louis metropolitan region.

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Lutheran Foundation Core Values

Christian Faith	Holistic Health	Relationships NEW
Collaboration	Impact	Stewardship NEW

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Stewardship

\$34 million → \$105 million

\$118 million → 660+ organizations

\$106m assets + \$118m grants = **\$220 million of blessing**

\$5 million (approx.) available annually for grants

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Strategic Plan 2020-2024

- Intensive process
- A “refresh”
- Updates based on current/future trends
- Incorporated changes since last plan



Focus Area

Focus Area Goal

Lutheran Foundation Outcomes

Project Indicators



Funding Focus Areas



•Christian Faith in Action



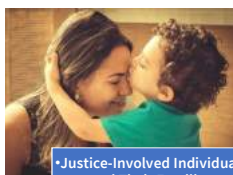
•Congregation Community Engagement



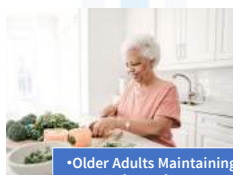
•Lutheran Schools and Organizations



•Foreign-Born Populations



•Justice-Involved Individuals and Their Families



•Older Adults Maintaining Independence



Christian Faith in Action



Goal: To positively impact the lives of hurting people by supporting the volunteer capacity and programs of Christian congregations and agencies.



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Christian Faith in Action



Outcome #1

Congregations and Christian organizations have in place quality volunteer management systems.



Outcome #2

Congregations and Christian organizations intentionally connect volunteer service with Biblical teaching.



Outcome #3

Congregations and Christian organizations are better able to meet their mission through the involvement of volunteers.



What do we fund?

- Launch new volunteer management programs
- Strengthen existing volunteer management programs
- Open to churches & faith-based organizations
- Funding for up to two (2) years
- Examples:
 - Databases
 - Background checks
 - Handbooks
 - Training
 - Recognition
- Program Funding, only for previous grantees 



Program Funding - Key Elements



Send Me St. Louis

Vision: To see the Church engage its unique role in the community to transform the lives of hurting people.

Focus:

- Christian Faith in Action
- Congregation Community Engagement

Services:

- Training
- Coaching/mentoring
- Resourcing




Congregation Community Engagement



Goal: To positively impact the lives of hurting people by strengthening the capacity of and supporting congregations in becoming an integral part of the health and well-being of their community.

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Congregation Community Engagement




Outcome #1
Congregations have in place quality community engagement efforts that meet the needs and assets of the congregation and the community.



Outcome #2
Congregations believe that part of their response to the Gospel is to become engaged in the hurting lives of people in the community.



Outcome #3
Those served by congregations experience improved outcomes.

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Who is Eligible?

- Eligible organizations: Lutheran or Christian churches or an organization founded by and connected to a congregation
- Support new/expanded services
- Priority to Lutheran congregations & collaborations
- Congregation commitment beyond Foundation
- 50% of participants/recipients are non-members
- Priority to serving people in underserved communities
- Encourage volunteer/lay involvement

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Examples of What We Fund

- Health care/mental health services
- Fitness/healthy living programs
- English as a second language
- Mentoring/tutoring
- Social activities for seniors
- Community revitalization
- Home repair/beautification

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Congregation Mini Grants

- Limited to Lutheran congregations
- Community Engagement
 - (1) Seed new ministries
 - (2) Planning & training to better engage the community
- Simple grant application
- \$10,000 maximum



Lutheran Schools & Organizations



Goals:

To support a system of St. Louis area Lutheran schools dedicated to excellence in Christian education.

To support Lutheran organizations who partner with local Lutheran congregations to strengthen the impact of congregation community engagement and the congregations themselves.



Foreign-Born Populations

Goal: To assist foreign-born individuals and families in achieving self-sufficiency, financial stability, and economic mobility, thereby enabling them to succeed and contribute to the community.



Foreign-Born Populations



Outcome #1

Foreign-born individuals will maintain or experience improved mental, physical, and/or spiritual health.



Outcome #2

Foreign-born individuals will improve their social and economic well-being.




Outcome #3

Foreign-born individuals will experience increased connectedness through community engagement and civic participation.



Examples of What We Fund

- Healthcare/mental health services
- English as a Second Language (ESL) and/or literacy services
- Education/training
- Employment assistance
- Legal services
- Case management
- Naturalization services
- Socialization




Justice-Involved Individuals & Their Families

Goal: To support the successful reintegration of justice-involved individuals by restoring their lives, family relationships, and communities, thereby enhancing community stability and public safety.





Justice-Involved Individuals & Their Families




Outcome #1

Justice-involved individuals will maintain or experience improved mental, physical and/or spiritual health.




Outcome #2

Justice-involved individuals will experience increased pro-social community involvement and stability.




Outcome #3

Justice-involved individuals and/or their families will experience increased positive relationships.



Examples of What We Fund

- Health care/mental health services
- Housing
- Education/training
- Employment assistance
- Case management services
- Services for children, spouses, partners and/or other significant family members



Older Adults Maintaining Independence

Goal: To foster optimal health and wellness for older adults enabling them to live safe, productive, and independent lives.



Older Adults Maintaining Independence



Outcome #1

Older adults will maintain or experience improved mental, physical and/or spiritual health.



Outcome #2

Older adults will experience reduced social isolation.



Outcome #3

Older adults will gain or maintain functional independence.



Examples of What We Fund

- Healthcare/mental health services
- Social and/or educational opportunities
- Intergenerational programming
- Services that utilize chaplains, health and peer coaches, and/or parish/faith community nurses
- Training, education and supportive services



In Summary

Updates and New Efforts in Focus Areas



Updates

<u>Previous</u>		<u>Now</u>
Impact Areas	➔	Lutheran Foundation Outcomes
Christian Volunteerism	➔	Christian Faith in Action
Congregation Social Service Outreach	➔	Congregation Community Engagement
Services to Ex-Offenders and Their Families	➔	Justice-Involved Individuals and Their Families



New

- ✓ **Christian Faith in Action**
 - Program funding available for past grantees
- ✓ **Congregation Community Engagement**
 - Mini Grants – planning dollars and up to \$10,000
- ✓ **Lutheran Schools and Organizations**
 - Mini Grants for Lutheran Schools
 - Lutheran Organization funding available



Overview of Grant Process



Strong Requests

- ✓ **Aligned with our vision, mission, & core values**
- ✓ **Fit with a Funding Focus Area**
- ✓ **Well-designed program**



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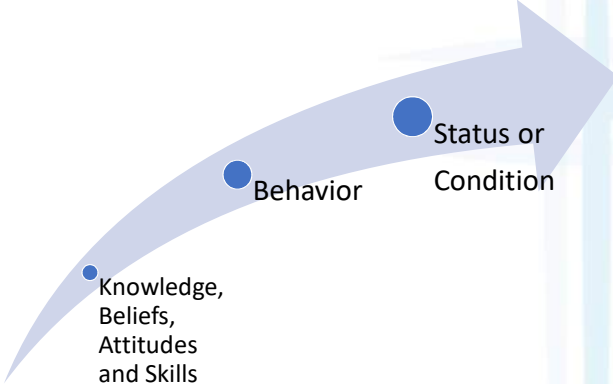
Impact


- Well designed programs
- Lasting change
- Difference in lives of those you serve
- Project Indicators align with Foundation outcomes





Outcomes - Types of Change





How We Fund


- Highly relational
- Annual grants
- Possible renewal, maximum 3 years
- Step down funding 20-25% each year
- Capacity building support Update
- Multi-year grants, limited basis





Application Timeline

	Summer Cycle	Winter Cycle
Pre-Application Workshops and Consultations	March - May	October- November
Applications Due	June 1 st	December 1 st
Due Diligence (Site Visits and Applicant Meetings/Emails)	July	January
Board Decisions	End of August	End of February
Grants Start	After September 1 st	After March 1 st



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NEW Visit our new website!

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NEW New Online Grant Application!

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Resources

- ❑ Lutheran Foundation Website
- ❑ Send Me St. Louis
- ❑ User Guide 
- ❑ How To – Online Grant Application 
- ❑ Workshops
- ❑ Consultation and Technical Assistance

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New and Updated Grant Processes

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New and Updated

- ✓ **New Website**
- ✓ **Online Grant Application**
- ✓ **Documents –**
 - Attachments
 - User Guide
 - Sample Questions
 - “How To”
- ✓ **Capacity Building Funding Process**



Upcoming Info Sessions

Introduction to Lutheran Foundation

April 2, 2020 9am – 11am

How to Apply for a Lutheran Foundation Grant

April 2, 2020 1pm-4pm

*Registration in advance is required for all info sessions.



Questions?



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