



Mission Investment Fund
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
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POVERTY GRANT APPLICATION

For congregations and social ministry organizations of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

I. Ministry Information

Organization Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Senior Pastor/Executive Director _____

Date Started in this Ministry _____

Phone Number _____ Fax Number _____

Social Ministry Organization Congregation

II. Contact Person

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Daytime Phone Number _____ e-mail address _____

III. Schedule

Start date for collecting funds for project _____

Completion date for collecting funds _____

Estimated date of purchase or construction completion _____
(Grant funds are made available at the time of purchase or completion of construction.)

IV. Source of Funds

A. Cash on hand now for project _____

B. Additional cash to be raised _____
prior to grant availability
(including from ministry and
partners)

C. Grant amount (should not _____
exceed A+B)

D. Other (Describe) _____

Total: A+B+C+D = _____

V. Cost Analysis

Real Estate purchase _____ New building costs _____

Renovation building costs _____ Parking and paving _____

Landscaping _____ Furnishings _____

Equipment _____ Contingency _____

Total _____

VI. Required Information to Send with this Application

Ministry Overview

For congregations, please provide brief information about this ministry such as a Bible study, Christian education, lay leadership, social ministry, etc. For social ministry organizations, please include the number of people served by your ministry and the trends over the past three years.

Synod Letter of Support

Please provide a letter from your synod leadership explaining how vital this ministry is in the synod's overall work with people living in poverty.

Financial Information

Include the previous year's financial statements and the most recent year-to-date financial statements.

Other Information

To help us review the application, please include any additional information that would assist us in understanding your ministry and its needs.

VII. Ministry Context

Please describe briefly the context of this ministry and how it relates to or with people in poverty.

VIII. Ministry Stewardship

Please share what is being done to further ministry. For congregations: What is the level of giving by members to the ministry? For social ministry organizations: What is your plan for the ongoing funding of the organization?

IX. Ministry Partnerships

Who are your ministry partners (synod, churchwide, congregations, support granting institutions, renters, etc.)? What are their roles and responsibilities, such as financial support and encouragement of support from others? Letters from these partners may be included with your application.

X. Future of the Ministry

Briefly describe what the future of this ministry will look like in the way of worship attendance, new programs, and other areas of interest. Explain how this ministry will accomplish its vision or goals.

XI. Capital Projects

Briefly describe the capital project(s) involved with this grant request and how it/they will enhance ministry among people living in poverty. Include drawings if applicable.

XII. Certification

We certify that all information in this application is true and accurate. Further, we certify that all information sent with this application is a true representation of the ministry, and to the best of our knowledge, is accurate. *(Two officers' signatures required.)*

Signed

Date

Print Name and Title

Date

Signed

Date

Print Name and Title

Date

Send this completed application with supporting documentation to:

Grant Administrator
Mission Investment Fund of the ELCA
8765 W. Higgins Road
Chicago, IL 60631