



The Synod Ministry Fund was created to provide financial support for innovative and creative ministry efforts. This year, 2026, the scope of the focus is wider in an effort to include ongoing and established ministry efforts. And there are funds specifically available for backpack programs, healthy snacks for food pantries, and health related ministries for Seniors. Please describe your proposal and submit your application for grant funds using the guide below.

**1. Briefly describe your ministry effort in 3-4 sentences.** Provide contact information.

**2. Describe how your effort will align with the following goals of the Synod Ministry Fund:**

- Collaborative: involve more than one congregation in planning and participation.
- Evangelism focused: build relationships with the unchurched in your community.
- New: different, experimental or how does this build on and support what is ongoing.

**3. Proposed Timeline**

**4. Projected Budget**

- Provide an itemized, projected budget.
- Include amount requested, other funding streams, and contact info for your fiscal agent.

**5. Objectives**

- What are your goals and how will you know if you have achieved them?

**6. Operational Details**

- Describe how you will carry out and execute your project.

**7. Evaluation** Upon the completion of your project, you agree to provide:

- a report which includes a summary of impact, degree of participation, etc.
- an itemized accounting, with receipts, and return of any unused funds.

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- The generosity of givers results in a balance of \$13,000 for disbursement in 2026.
  - Grant applications for funds received in 2025 may be submitted until January 31, 2027, or until all available funds are disbursed.
  - The maximum amount per application this year is \$1500.
  - Be advised that grant requests may be denied.
  - Please send all questions and completed grant applications to [npls@nplsynod.org](mailto:npls@nplsynod.org).