

LORD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH (LOTV)
ENDOWMENT GRANT APPLICATION GUIDELINES

January 14, 2025

A. Distributions from the endowment funds will not be limited by the amount or rate at which the funds can be distributed, but rather left to the judgement and recommendations of the endowment committee and approval by the Council.

a. Grant requests shall be accompanied by a Grant Application, (see attached), sponsored by a LOTV member, then forwarded to the LOTV endowment committee chairperson.

b. The LOTV endowment committee will review the grant application for completeness, confirming that it is in accordance with the below guidelines, prepare a recommendation for the LOTV council consideration, and provide a response to the applicant.

c. Grants may be made with any one or more of the following, as long as they are in alignment with the mission and programs initiatives of this congregation:

1. Any mission initiative of this congregation listed in the current 'Needs, Wants, and Goals' and not funded through the LOTV operating budget.

2. Any ministry or program of the ELCA Rocky Mountain Synod, the ELCA Churchwide body, or an ELCA-related organization.

3. Any non-profit organization.

d. Upon approval by the LOTV council of the requested grants, a Distribution Record shall be completed by the endowment committee to capture the current distribution information.

The LOTV Endowment will normally not provide funds to individuals. However we will fund organizations that do provide assistance to individuals. Typically, this service falls into one of these following categories: arts and culture, education, families and children, sports and recreation, and the health of our people or environment.

LOTV does not provide grants to: political organizations, for profit groups, companies, or organizations that may be perceived as polarizing, divisive or unduly controversial. This may include organizations that may be perceived to favor any political party, candidate or position, and/or a politically charged issue.

LOTV reserves the right to request an accounting of how awarded funds were used, or are currently being used at any given time.