

PURPOSE:

The Warner Trust Fund grant is “used for the construction of Sunday School facilities and to further Christian outreach.” Such purpose is expressed through the facilities and education of this Synod’s children and youth.

Instructions:

1. Please attach a brief narrative, **doubled spaced in 12 pt. font.**
2. Narratives exceeding three (3) pages will NOT be considered.
3. Narratives should include an explanation of how the grant will help to increase the mission of God’s church in the congregation’s ministry, in the community where the congregation/ministry is located and who will be most affected by the grant.
4. Please indicate how many people will be served and how the project will be sustained after the grant period.
5. **A copy of the congregation’s current parochial report and a program/project budget are required.**

CRITERIA:

1. Applicant must be a congregation/ministry of the Southwest California Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.
2. Grant request must meet the purpose of the Warner Trust Fund.
3. Recipients must agree to use the funds only as stated in their proposal and will provide a report to the Southwest California Synod within one year of the grant. If a grant report is not filed, the congregation/ministry will be suspended from the program for a period of three (3) years.
4. Capital Projects will be considered only if relationship to children or youth education is clearly established
5. Salary assistance up to one-third of the total salary for a period of one year may be requested.
6. If you receive grant funding, you are encouraged to make a gift to the Synod’s Warner Trust Fund within three (3) years.

Southwest California Synod Mission Goals

- Intentional Outreach to the Diverse Populations of our Communities
- Intentional Outreach to the Ethnic-Specific Populations of our Synod
- Intentional Outreach to Children, Youth, and Young Adults
- The Development of New Congregations
- The Transformation of Congregations
- The Re-Rooting of Congregations in their Neighborhoods
- The Development of an Institute for Ministry in Changing Communities