



**MISSION GRANT APPLICATION
Cross of Christ Lutheran Church
Mission Committee
1100 Lone Pine Road
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302-2815**

The Mission Committee of Cross of Christ Lutheran Church is a collection of committed disciples seeking to listen for God's unique calling in this moment and in this community. The Mission Committee undergoes a process of discernment, paying attention to the needs we observe in our world and the people and organizations committed to addressing those needs.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Your organization must be recognized by the IRS as a not for profit organization. The organization must have its own 501c3 designation in its own name in order to be considered.

Grant applications should make a strong case for how the organization, person, or cause in question helps to meet the mission of Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, which is to connect people to God's greater activity in our cities and around the world.

Selections will be considered for those organizations who:

1. Clearly identifies itself as "Christian" or "Christ"-centered in its communications (website, flyers, social media)
2. Does not forbid or discourage the sharing of the gospel of Jesus Christ by its supporters or volunteers
3. Clearly states that it exists to share the gospel of Jesus Christ and/or show his love to others.

Grant applications will be considered for both local and national/international agencies/causes, but preference will be given to those organizations/persons/causes which have a personal connection to someone at our church and/or offer an opportunity for a hands-on activity

The mission committee invites any organization/person addressing these priorities to submit an application to help us learn more about your work in this area and to be considered as a partner and candidate for a grant.

APPLICATION AND REVIEW PROCESS

Please complete the following Mission Grant Application in full, including the required attachments. Grant applications are reviewed quarterly by our Mission Committee on a rolling basis, and award notifications are made promptly. However, once a selection is made, it may be 6-9 months before you are scheduled to receive funding so please take this into consideration in terms of your application submission date. Approved applications will remain "active" for three (3) years.

POST-SELECTION REQUIREMENTS

If your organization is selected as one of our Cross of Christ Ministry Grant partners, we would appreciate your assistance with the following:

- We have found it to be very effective for you to provide a speaker who would like to share about the ministry at our two Sunday morning worship services (a total of 3-4 minutes per service). In addition, you will need to supply at least one 3-minute video that we could show during a worship service. We do have video production capability so you also could

provide an interview subject and still photographs at least one month in advance.

- For the weekly bulletin, you will need to supply 4 general articles consisting of about 40-75 words each about your project/cause plus 4 prayer requests of about 40-60 words.
- We require a letter from you after you receive the funding describing specifically how it was used and what benefit your organization/clients received.
- If assistance is used for an event, Cross of Christ would like acknowledgement made at the event.

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church Mission Grant Application

Name of Organization:	FEIN:
Year Founded:	IRS TAX EXEMPT:
Approx. number of people served annually:	
Main Phone:	
Fax:	
Full Mailing Address:	
Website:	
Main Contact Name/Title :	
Please provide your organization’s Mission Statement and Christian faith statement:	
Please briefly describe your organization’s program and services:	
What geographical area does your organization serve?	
For what purpose are you requesting funds at this time? Please describe, indicating what specific program/ services will be provided, when funds will be spent, and how many people will be served.	
What activities might children do which would support your organizations? <i>(Example- diaper drive for pregnancy center, peanut butter/jelly drive for food pantry)</i>	
What hands-on projects might our church be able to do to support your organization? <i>(Example- construction repair, fixing flower beds, reading to students)</i>	

Please attach all of the following documents:

- Current year operating budget and/or Most recent audited financial statements or year-end financial statement
- IRS 501(c)3 letter confirming tax exempt status – must be in the name of the applying organization
- Most recent audited financial statements or year-end financial statement
- List of Board Members or Committee Members for your organization; if you are a not an organization or group, please submit at least two letters of reference

How to apply:

Submit the completed application and attachments as follows:

- Email to missions@bloomfieldcross.org OR
- Mail to ATTN: Mission Committee, Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 1100 Lone Pine Rd, Bloomfield Hills MI 48302

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Church Office at 248-646-5886.