



**Southwest California Synod**  
**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
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**Charles and Mable Warner Trust Fund Grant**

*"...to be used for the construction of Sunday School facilities and to further Youth Christian Education."*

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Requested: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Applicant Congregation or Ministry: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Average Worship Attendance: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Synodical Mission Support: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Annual Congregation or Ministry Budget: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Does the Congregation or Ministry have an Endowment Fund or other funding source? Yes No

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY FEBRUARY 21, 2020**

**Mail to:** Allocations Committee  
C/O Samantha Henderson  
Southwest California Synod  
1300 E. Colorado Street  
Glendale, CA 91205

**AND Email to:** [shenderson@socalsynod.org](mailto:shenderson@socalsynod.org)

**Include:** Parochial Report for 2019  
Budget: Time-phased, including allocation percentage of grant vs internal funding  
Narrative: All instructions must be followed and all criteria met below

**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 services and education of this Synod's children and youth.

## Instructions:

1. Attach a brief narrative, **doubled spaced in 12 pt. font.** Stories exceeding three (3) pages will NOT be considered.
2. Stories 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.
3. **Include a copy of the congregation's 2019 parochial report.**
4. Submit the time required to both plan and execute your project.
5. Include rationale to support the number of people both serving and being served through this project. Include how you will invite those who will serve and those who will be served. How will you promote the grant and the project?
6. Provide: (1) Comprehensive time-phased financial execution plan and (2) Sustainment plan for this project once the Synod grant seed funding is exhausted.
7. Collaboration between multiple congregations in the furtherance of Sunday school outreach broadens the potential impact intended for these funds. Therefore, after all, six of the above instruction items are met, the higher ranking will be afforded to multi-church grant request submittals.
8. The funds for grants will expire August 3, 2020 (two months after Synod Assembly). It is your responsibility to cash the check before it expires. Once the account is closed, all undeposited checks will become void.

## 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 not be eligible for grants for three (3) years.
4. Building 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 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

- Communicating the Gospel message powerfully and clearly
- Shaping the faith of the baptized through education
- Fostering congregations in becoming healthy communities
- Creating opportunities for our rostered leaders to thrive
- Developing at least four geographical area ministry strategies
- Establishing clusters of congregations around similar ministries