

THE ZION FOUNDATION

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THE ZION FOUNDATION: LEAVING A LEGACY

The Zion Foundation was established in 1987. The primary goal of the Foundation is to expand the mission of the congregation by providing a place for members and friends of Zion Lutheran Church to leave a legacy gift that will continue to make a difference beyond their lifetime.

The Zion Foundation is governed by an eight-member board. The Foundation's investment funds are held in trust. Currently, grants totaling over \$60,000 are awarded each year. The investment fund is managed by the Mission Investment Fund of the ELCA.

GRANTS FOR MISSION

Grants are awarded by the Zion Foundation each year to four mission areas. Grant recipients include Zion's ministries and programs, as well as local and global organizations. The four mission areas are: National and Global Missions, Youth Development and Education, Local Causes and Community Services, and Lutheran Legacy.

National and Global Missions

These grants are awarded to other Christian non-profit groups or Zion ministries that serve the global community. Recent recipients include:

- Global Health Ministries
- Lutheran Partners in Global Ministry – Tanzanian Safe House
- Mobility Worldwide
- A Peace of Mind

Youth Development and Education

These grants are awarded to programs within Zion and the community that encourage youth discipleship and leadership. Recent grant recipients include:

- Zion Summer College Intern Program
- Zion Pre-K
- Zion High School Mission Trips
- Camp Wapo Scholarships
- Bikes4Kids
- Black Men Teach (Twin Cities)



MOBILITY WORLDWIDE

Local Causes and Community Services

These grants are awarded to programs or social service organizations that serve persons with financial, material, emotional, or spiritual need. Recent grant recipients include:

- Family Promise in Anoka County (for families experiencing homelessness)
- The Center of Addiction and Faith
- Zion Addiction Awareness Ministry (formerly Zion Addiction Recovery Team)
- Zion Creation Care Team (formerly EcoFaith Team)
- Zion Social Justice Team
- Racial Justice Organizing Project
- Improving Credit Access (formerly Exodus Lending)
- Zion Matthew Bag Ministry
- Every Meal (formerly Sheridan Story)
- Wheels of Honor



GLOBAL HEALTH MINISTRIES

Lutheran Legacy

These grants are awarded to projects or organizations that promote leadership development within the Lutheran community, including Zion Lutheran Church. Recent recipients include:

- Lutheran seminary students (Zion Lutheran Church members)
- Zion NET (formerly Evangelism Ministry) for Anoka Riverfest™
- Tapestry
- Servant Leadership - Lutheran Campus Ministry
- Zion Radio Broadcast Ministry



WAYS OF CONTRIBUTING TO THE ZION FOUNDATION

There are many ways to give to the Zion Foundation:

- Cash gift to honor or memorialize a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion
- Real estate or personal property gift
- Stock or mutual fund gift
- Gift through a will or trust
- Gift by naming the Foundation as a beneficiary of an insurance policy
- Gift through estate planning, utilizing a charitable gift annuity or as a charitable trust
- Gift through retirement plan assets (IRAs, 401(k)s, etc.)



MATTHEW BAG MINISTRY

All gifts to the Foundation are charitable tax donations. To accomplish planned giving goals, always seek professional assistance from your attorney, accountant, or financial advisor.

INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE ZION FOUNDATION?

Thank you for your interest in the Zion Foundation. Receiving your gift or helping you learn more is best done face to face. Pastor Connie Tiede and the Foundation Chair, Verne Winter, will be happy to meet with you. For more information, please call Pastor Connie at 763-506-8142 or email her ctiede@zionanoka.org.