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To LCA WA Congregations

Dear Pastor, Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer

LLL Mission Grants

Does your congregation have a brilliant mission idea, but lacks the funds to get it off the ground?

What would you change in your community?

How might you join in the mission of Jesus and make a difference for the Kingdom?

The LLL Mission Grants aim to enable congregations to set aside financial worries and focus on exploring new and innovative ways of connecting with their local communities through mission and outreach.

Create an initiative, expand on an idea or concept that has been dreamed about, but not thought possible because of the lack of resources or cost.

The Lutheran Laypeople's League continue to offer two generous grant programs:

1. **LLL Mission Outreach Grant** of \$25,000 to a congregational project in WA District each year for the three years, 2020, 2021 and 2022. This was formally known as the LLL Mission Stimulus Grant.
2. **LLL Mission Resources Grants** of up to \$5,000 to assist congregations with resourcing their mission.

We invite congregations to apply for these grants. Further information for each of these grants is included below, and application forms are enclosed.

Please see the important **LLL Mission Grant Acknowledgement Guidelines** also provided below.

Please submit your application to me as soon as your new initiative is ready to go.

Tracy Adams

Secretary

LCA WA District Church Council

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LLL MISSION GRANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT GUIDELINES

These guidelines are provided to ensure that LLL supporters are acknowledged and recognised by each LCA District and grant recipients for the provision of this mission funding.

LLL Mission Outreach Grants (formerly Mission Stimulus Grants) and LLL Mission Resource Grants

LCA District

- Refer to each applicable grant as an 'LLL Mission Outreach Grant' or an 'LLL Mission Resource Grant' in all communication whether written, electronic or verbal.
- Acknowledge LLL supporters when awarding a particular LLL grant to the recipient.
- Email LLL Promotions (promotions@lll.org.au) a copy of the grant application from each successful applicant.
- These grants not to be used for general budgetary expenses.

Grant Recipient

- Acknowledge LLL supporters when referring to receiving, using or communicating about an 'LLL Mission Outreach Grant' or 'LLL Mission Resource Grants'.
- Provide LLL Promotions with a brief report for promotional purposes at; either a yearly progress report if the project will run over an extended period or at the end of the mission project if the project runs for a year or less. The report needs to be 150 - 250 words and include 1-2 high quality photos with authority for use in LLL publications (written and electronic). The purpose of this report would be to promote the grant, celebrate the achievements or progress of the project in LLL publications.

Andrew Waldhuter

Promotions Manager | LLL Australia
October 2019

LLL Mission Outreach Grant

Purpose

The LLL continues to offer \$25,000 per year to the WA District, to be awarded to congregational projects with a mission outreach focus.

Scope

- Grants of up to \$25,000 are available to congregations.
- Grants are provided to assist congregations to engage the Gospel with those who do not yet know Jesus. This is different from ministry which can be defined as the Gospel at work in existing church members and activities.
- Grants are not available from this fund to provide items that are part of the normal budgeting process of the congregation and items such as office equipment and maintenance of buildings.

Applications

Your application will summarise the proposed project and outline how it will develop the mission outreach of the congregation.

In practical terms the project would ...

- **involve ministry or mission expansion or new initiatives;**
- demonstrate a parish effort or contribution;
- demonstrate viability over the medium-term;
- include consideration for short and longer-term planning and a review process; and
- not request funding for outlay on major capital projects such as buildings, however, spending on minor capital or resources to support a project may be included.

Approval Process

When making decisions about approving submissions for funding, the District Church Council will consider most favourably those projects that support the LCA priorities 1 or 2, as stated in **OUR DIRECTION 2018–2024**.

1. **Grow as God's People**
2. **Go as God's People**

Reference: <https://www.lca.org.au/download/lca-our-direction-2018-2024/> and also enclosed with this information.

Reporting

- Reports must be provided annually, and at project completion, to the District Church Council and include a financial statement of the expenditure of grant funds.
- Brief reports must also be provided, via the District, to LLL Promotions so that a selection of projects can be included in LLL publications. Please see the **LLL Mission Grant Acknowledgement Guidelines**.

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Mission Resources Grant

Purpose

The LLL has kindly provided the LCA Districts with a further grant of funds to assist congregations with resourcing their mission. The LCA WA District has received \$20,000 for the three years, 2020, 2021 and 2022.

Scope

- Grants of up to \$5,000 are available to congregations.
- Grants are to assist congregations by providing support for training and the purchase of equipment and other resources (videos, books, teaching materials etc) that are specifically intended for resourcing mission initiatives.
- Grants are not available from this fund to provide items that are part of the normal budgeting process of the congregation and items such as office equipment and maintenance of buildings.

Applications

- Applications should be submitted to the Secretary [admin@wa.lca.org.au] on the enclosed form.

Approval Process

- Applications will be assessed on the basis of their likely contribution to the mission of God through his Church and the goals in the LCA Strategic Direction 2013 – 2018. Reference: <https://www.lca.org.au/download/lca-our-direction-2018-2024/> and also enclosed with this information.
- Allocations will depend on the number of applications received and the priorities of the district at the time. It is not anticipated that all eligible applications will be approved.
- Grants will be approved jointly by the Bishop and Treasurer of District Church Council.

Reporting

- A final report must be provided to the District Church Council and include a financial statement of the expenditure of grant funds.
- A brief final report must also be provided, via the District, to LLL Promotions so that a selection of projects can be included in LLL publications. Please see the **LLL Mission Grant Acknowledgement Guidelines**.

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