

2025 ULCH Trust Fund Grant Submission Invitation and Instruction

University Lutheran Church of Hope has been blessed with generous members and friends. An endowment fund has been set up because of that generosity. The Trust continues to be available for donations and for disbursement to projects/programs as described below.

The ULCH Congregation appoints seven members to the Trust Board. Annually Trust Board members determine which proposals are eligible for funding. An identified percentage of the Endowment principle is available for disbursement. This percentage may vary from year to year based on investment returns and the Endowment fund balance, as defined in the Trust Board charter. *(Note: there may be an unusual year where funds are not available for distribution due to investment circumstances outside of the control of the Board.)*

Every year ULCH members are invited to submit requests for funds in accordance with the Trust charter. An emphasis on enhancing and extending the life and mission of the congregation are given priority and may include:

- 1) support for domestic and foreign missions
- 2) scholarships
- 3) professional staff for special services
- 4) community projects, and
- 5) building expansion or improvements (contrasted with routine building maintenance which is not fundable).

The same project or program is eligible to receive funds for a maximum of three separate grant cycles. Depending on the availability of funds, a request may be fully or partially supported. Routine or regular church expenses are not eligible for Trust funds.

The funds are allocated based on written requests on the attached form. A typed or hand-written request form is acceptable. If additional space is needed to describe the request, please add an additional page(s). Completed applications may be turned into the church office or sent to trustboard@ulch.org.

If you have questions about accessing Trust funds or completing the form, please contact: trustboard@ulch.org.

Trust Board members are:

Scott Hvizdos
James Flaten
Ruth Hedman
Tim Hopkins

Shelly Parry
Leena Rapacz
Meri Hauge

Ex officio members are: Pastor Susan Debner and Linda Herman.