

Alaska Synod

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

The Alaska Synod First Fruits Benevolence Grant is a benevolence program to help non-congregation groups that have a relationship with the Lutheran church, congregations, or synod. The money is awarded on the basis of the following criteria:

- 1. Relationship to congregation(s) or Synod
- 2. Reflection of the Synod's Mission & Ministry Plan
- 3. Size and diversity of client base
- 4. Targeting an unmet need in the community
- 5. Existing funding from the congregation or Synod

Please note that all applications must be received in the Synod office no later than April 1, 2017. The finance committee will evaluate all requests and make decisions based on the approved Synod budget for the year. Payments to recipients are subject to receipt of revenue from the congregations of the Synod. (Total benevolence funding is based on the % from first fruits giving from the congregations.)

Although the Alaska Synod is not able to support all ministries at the requested level, the Synod Council thanks you for your ministry to our community. If there are other ways in which we can partner, please contact the Synod office.

Sincerely,

The Alaska Synod Council