

St. Paul Endowment Fund

2019 Grant Recipients

St. Paul Endowment Fund Awards \$17,500 in Grants

The St. Paul Endowment Committee is pleased to announce that it has awarded seven grants totaling \$17,500, as part of the endowment's annual fund distribution. Each organization/team submitted an application requesting funds supporting a program/activity directly aligning with our church's mission of *Connecting People to Christ*. The grant recipients for 2019 include:



Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) is a Christian non-profit dedicated to feeding starving children in over 70 countries. For seven consecutive years, St. Paul has hosted a FMSC MobilePack™ event that brings hundreds of volunteers together to pack the nutritionally complete meals. Grant dollars will help fund the purchase of ingredients needed for the 155,500 MobilePack™ meals being assembled October 10-12, 2019.



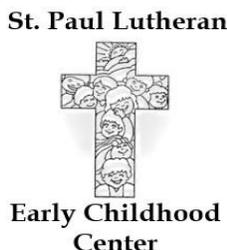
The Gathering Place, an outreach mission of our congregation, is a social-model day service devoted exclusively to early-mid memory loss. Along with the classes provided by Memory Matters ministry, these two specifically designed programs encourage a better quality of life through activities promoting the key elements of wellness: physical, cognitive, social, emotional, spiritual, and community. This year's endowment award will support special outing events scheduled throughout the year for both ministries.



Formed in 2013, Love in the Name of Christ (Love INC) Sheboygan County connects people in need with resources from area church ministries and the community. St. Paul is one many churches making this unified partnership model a success by delivering life-changing support and guidance that breaks the cycle of hopelessness. To further Love INC's positive local impact, endowment funds were directed toward gap ministry initiatives.



Sharing God's Word with our Hispanic neighbors and welcoming them into our community of faith is the purpose behind LCMS Sheboygan County Hispanic Outreach. St. Paul along with 16 other LCMS churches sponsor this important ministry that was launched in 2016. Pastor David Blas, serving as minister-at-large, leads Spanish-speaking worship services, Bible studies, and new member classes, and he has helped introduce a bilingual Vacation Bible School. The endowment gift will benefit the mission's continued operation.



St. Paul's Early Childhood Center (ECC) shares God's love with children through education. The center's staff, programs, and setting continue to provide area families with a safe and nurturing environment fostering children's mental, physical, spiritual, and emotional development. Grant proceeds financed the benches that are part of ECC's recently renovated and expanded outdoor playground area.



St. Paul Guatemala
Mission Team

In November, members of St. Paul will embarked on a mission relief trip to Casa Para Niños Aleluya (CPNA), a children's home in Guatemala. CPNA is a ministry program that currently cares for and raises over 400 orphaned, abused, and mistreated children and relies on volunteers, such as the St. Paul Mission Team, to help maintain and improve its 15-acre campus. Grant dollars will go toward the cost of activity materials, used by the mission team to facilitate their interactions with the children.



This past summer, 50 members of St. Paul Youth Ministry traveled to Minneapolis to participate in the LCMS National Youth Gathering. Held every three years, the five-day event provides thousands of youth and adults the opportunity to come together as a community of God's people to learn more about Jesus Christ, the Christian faith, and their Lutheran identity. The gathering also aims to support and propel the church's day-to-day ministry to and through young people. The endowment award helped fund this spiritual journey.

Since 2012, the St. Paul Endowment Fund has provided over \$100,000 in funding to numerous Christ-centered programs that have directly touched the lives of thousands—locally, nationally, and world-wide. Professionally managed, the Endowment Fund is a perpetual fund from which only the investment earnings are distributed for needs separate from the church's day-to-day operating budget. If you wish to contribute to the St. Paul Endowment Fund, please contact the church office.