

## **Funding Guidelines**

### **Michael Peeler/Virginia Casey Funds**

The Michael Peeler Fund was established in 1955 under the will of Michael Peeler, a Salisbury businessman and member of St. John's-Salisbury. The income gifted to the North Carolina Lutheran Synod was "to be used by the synod each year wherever it is needed most for the advancement of the Kingdom of God."

The Virginia Casey Fund was established in 2007 by a gift from the trust of Virginia W. Casey. Mrs. Casey was a native of Davie County and member of Gloria Dei-Salisbury. She served the North Carolina Synod as secretary to former bishops George Whittecar and Ernest Misenheimer. Mrs. Casey asked that the gift to the North Carolina Lutheran Synod "be used to glorify God and promote the work of the Church."

The investments are managed by trustees elected by Synod Council and are held, along with other long term endowments, by the North Carolina Synod Foundation.

Synod Council uses a grant process that includes recommendations from its Peeler/Casey Committee to distribute these funds, giving priority to proposals that consider the Synod Council's mission and vision:

**MISSION:** Walking Together-Sharing Christ

**VISION:** Together we...  
Center our life in worship, prayer and scripture  
Identify and equip leaders  
Support the ministries of congregations  
Reach out through witness and service to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ in a changing world  
Serve as stewards of the property and resources of the synod

Synod Council may, in its sole discretion, choose to expend monies for any other purpose as long as, in its opinion, the expenditure is used in accordance with the bequests of Mr. Peeler and Mrs. Casey.

Ministries of primary interest include:

- Church leadership development
- Underserved populations
- Activities for youth and young adults
- Mission development
- Caring for Creation

Examples of previous grants awarded include but are not limited to:

- Start-up funds for tutoring programs for at-risk youth
- Consultants on evangelism and revitalization for a group of congregations
- Sabbaticals or other support for rostered leaders
- Mission projects for the under-served or un-churched

Allocations will not be made for:

- More than a two-year period
- Reimbursement for completed projects

Submission packet should contain: one set of the entire application and all supporting materials and mailed to:

**Peeler/Casey Funds  
North Carolina Lutheran Synod Office  
1988 Lutheran Synod Drive  
Salisbury, NC 28144**

Application Deadline: **JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>**

Notification Timeline: **SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>**

**PEELER/CASEY FUNDS**

**GRANT APPLICATION**

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**Date Submitted:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Person, Group, Congregation requesting funds:**  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Website Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Target Population:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Region served:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**(county, state, country)**

**Anticipated Project start date:** \_\_\_\_\_

*In the space provided, type a concise description of the project, what the project will accomplish and how the funds will be used. DO NOT EXCEED THIS SPACE.*

**Total Project cost:** \_\_\_\_\_

**AMOUNT REQUESTED:** \_\_\_\_\_

# GRANT APPLICATION

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## ORGANIZATION

Describe your organization/congregation. (What is your mission statement? How does this project fit into your mission? Describe the geographic area served and population.)

## PROJECT

1. What is the purpose of the project?
2. What areas of ministry will this project address and how was the need determined?
3. What are the major goals of the project? (How many people do you expect to serve? What will the participants gain from your project?)
4. What is the sequence of activities needed to accomplish the project?
5. Describe the effects of this project on the organization, clients, the congregation or Synod.

## BUDGET/FUNDING

1. Include the total budget for this project, delineating how the grant funds would be used. Please be specific about operating costs and salaries.
2. List **all** other funding sources for this project, the total requested from each and the amount committed from each as of this date.
3. If this is to be an on-going project, how will it be funded in the future?

## PERSONNEL

Describe staff/volunteer qualifications and responsibilities for this project. What evidence can you give of the ability of your organization to implement and carry out this project?

## EVALUATION AND REQUIREMENTS

1. How will the project be monitored? What is your evaluation criteria and how will it be used to measure your success?
2. If a grant is approved, an end-of-year report must be submitted to the Synod office one year from the receipt of funding. The report should address the progress of the funded ministry and indicate how the grant has facilitated the ministry.

**Any unused funds should be promptly returned to the NC Synod Office and added back to the Peeler/Casey Funds. Any needed change in the project should be reported to the Peeler/Casey Committee.**