**World Hunger Ambassador Program**

**Rocky Mountain Synod Hunger Network**

A World Hunger Ambassador has a passion for ELCA World Hunger and believes that the work we do together with partners around the world makes a real and sustainable difference in the lives of people living in poverty and hunger. **The goal of the Hunger Network is to have at least one ambassador in all of our synod conferences! Can you serve in this capacity??**

**Ambassadors will:**

**✟**Attend a **one-day training session on Saturday, November 11, 2017**, at Augustana Lutheran Church in Denver. *All expenses will be covered!*

**✟**Attend **quarterly WebEx training sessions** designed to enhance skills and story-telling abilities and to find and explore resources on the ELCA World Hunger website.

**✟**Agree to **contact congregations within their conference**, keeping in touch, offering to come and speak about ELCA World Hunger, offering to conduct workshops and educational activities, providing information on resources, encouraging contributions to ELCA World Hunger, and thanking congregations for their gifts. *Mileage will be reimbursed as funds are available.*

**✟**Check in with the World Hunger Ambassador Program Coordinator on the Core Team if any questions come up between WebEx sessions.

**✟**Feel free to share and use personal ideas and creativity to accomplish the mission of the ambassador program.

**✟**Agree to **serve for a period of two years**, with the option of renewing the commitment.

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**Schedule of World Hunger Ambassador Training**

**Saturday, November 11, 2017 -- 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

**Anna Paulson Room – Augustana Lutheran Church (Denver)**

**8:30 am** Breakfast Available

**9:00 am** Introduction to and Stories from the Work of ELCA World Hunger (Lots of information provided by staff from ELCA World Hunger!)

**10:30 am** Break

**11:00 am** Crafting Your Story (Thinking about stories, bible passages, and your own story. Creating presentations you can give!)

**12:30 pm** LUNCH

**1:30 pm** Connecting in Your Conference (Overview of how to approach networking and connecting, looking at the congregations in your conference, developing a plan and identifying people in your conference who may be good first contacts, looking at resources that might be helpful, ETC.)

**3:00 pm** Short Break

**3:15 pm** Connecting Continued (Leave with an initial plan for this work!)

**4:00 pm** Closing/Commitment Ceremony

**SPECIAL NOTES!**

*Thank you* to ELCA World Hunger for the grant that makes this program possible!

Ambassadors who do not live in the Denver area will stay at the Hilton Garden Inn – Denver/Cherry Creek. Each room will accommodate two ambassadors. ROOMING LIST IS DUE BY OCTOBER 13!!

All who need to fly to this event should arrange their own transportation. All transportation will be reimbursed.

We are honored to have **Mikka McCracken, Director of ELCA World Hunger Engagement and Education** and **Robin Brown, Associate Director of ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal** present for this training.