

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Investing in the Difference Makers: *Local Mission Tithe Grant Information Sheet*

Introduction

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is seeking difference makers to invest the remaining \$14,400 of the \$27,000 Capital Campaign Tithe portion that was allotted to the Outreach Ministry for local missions. A difference maker is an individual or small organization that is making a continued impact for the good of others. This can be a neighborhood impact, a Springfield community impact, or even something that impacts the wider Northern Virginia.

The Application Process

- Submit an application between August 1 – August 31, 2022
- Grant recipients will be announced before October 1, 2022.
- Recipients of the grant will have until the end of December to provide an update on the grant
- Prince of Peace is also requiring the grant be used before April 2023

Determining Grant Beneficiaries

Inspired by the show 'Returning the Favor', the Outreach Ministry is looking for individuals or small organizations who are doing good for others and seeks to provide financial support to them to take their good deeds to the next level. Anyone in the community can nominate a prospective recipient of the grant.

The Outreach Ministry seeks devoted servants who have a reputation for blessing the community; to supporting them financially and glorify God.

The application process seeks to assess the following:

- What impact is currently being made by the nominee?
- How many are affected by the project?
- Where is the work (project) being done? (City or Cities)
- How would the grant grow the impact of the project?
- What percentage of the funds would be used for administrative purposes?
- Has the nominee previously received a grant for their project before?

Those who are applying will also need to provide two other people who can verify the impact of the project. Prince of Peace members are free to nominate those in the community that are making an impact, but members or those associated with Prince

of Peace church or school are not eligible for the grants. This Tithe fund grant is meant to bless and support others in the community, forming new relationships and partnerships to the glory of God.

Tithe Funds Dispersal Determination

The Outreach Ministry will review all applications and follow-up with all referrals for the applicant. The merit of each applicant and their project will be evaluated on both evangelical and mercy impact. No one applicant would be eligible for the entire \$14,400 Tithe amount; instead, the Outreach Ministry seeks to award multiple grants. The recipients of the grants will be announced no later than 30 days after the deadline for applications.

Award and Follow-up

One of the requirements for receiving a grant will be to share the story of how the Tithe funds contributed to the impact being made. The Tithe fund recipients will have 60 days to report back to the Outreach Ministry with how the project is going. Then, they will have no more than 6 months to spend the funds and share their story with Prince of Peace, and possibly the community at large.

Conclusion

These grants seek to recognize and lift up the worthy difference makers in our Northern Virginia community. This program will allow the Capital Campaign Tithe funds to be dispersed in a collaborative way that will enhance the effectiveness of local charitable work and missions and grow the relationship between Prince of Peace and the Northern Virginia and Springfield community.