Northeastern Iowa Synod Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

# **Ride Against Hunger Ministry Grant**

In 2023, the three Iowa Synod Bishops joined together to raise money for ELCA World Hunger by biking in RAGBRAI. Congregations and individuals donated close to \$100,000! Of those funds, \$50,000 went to ELCA World Hunger and each synod has approximately \$14,000 to invest in their synod hunger ministries. The Northeastern Iowa Synod is offering these grants to address hunger in Northeastern Iowa.

## **Important Grant Information**

- **Funding Cycle:** Grant will be reviewed monthly. All applications in before the 15<sup>th</sup> will be reviewed that month, checks are typically sent out by the end of that month.
- **Number & Priority**: One grant per project. Priority is given to a congregation or agency's first application.
- Northeastern Iowa Synod, ELCA Affiliated: Grants are for programs and ministries connected to an ELCA congregation or conference. Non-congregation-based grants require a letter of support from an ELCA congregation.

#### **Contact Information**

Contact Person (name, phone number, email address):

Hunger Ministry (name, congregation(s), phone number, email address, physical and/or mailing address:

# **Amount Requested**

- \_\_\_\_ \$250 for existing expenses (ideas: supplies, food, etc.)
- **500** for ministry involving partnerships with other agencies or congregations (ideas: money towards a new freezer, winter kits, a community event or project).
- **\$750** for a new initiative, project or ministry (ideas: new weekend meal backpack with neighboring school, trying a monthly meal, expanding to include WIC formula, etc. )

## **Description of Current Hunger Ministry**

• What are the main ways this ministry helps people?

• How are you currently funded?

Grant Request: How do you plan to use this grant (include a simple budget)?

What advice do you have for others who might want to start a similar ministry?

**BONUS: Send 2-3 Pictures of your ministry** 

Email your completed application to: pettita@neiasynod.org

Or send it to: Northeastern Iowa Synod; PO Box804; Waverly, IA 50677