

Grant Name	Lutheran Student Center - Springfield
Mission/Project Summary	The Lutheran Student Center would use this grant to purchase t-shirts, flyers, signs, stickers and other material to promote the LSC publicly on the campus of Missouri State University, other local college campuses, and throughout the city of Springfield. The LSC is the only LCMS college ministry in Springfield, Missouri and is therefore uniquely positioned to offer Christ-centered, cross-focused gospel comfort to increasingly isolated and anxious college students. This outreach effort would enable more students to learn about the LSC's presence, mission, and resources so that our students could connect with and care for their peers. We would distribute these materials through an active presence on-campus at student events and through intentional interactions as we seek to share the gospel of Jesus Christ and his love.
Project Description and Details	<p>The Lutheran Student Center in Springfield, Missouri was founded in 1963 to serve as the LCMS campus ministry at Missouri State University. Now, sixty-two years later, the Lutheran Student Center also serves students from nearby Drury University and Ozarks Technical Community College. Students gather once a week for Prayer and Praise, sharing a meal together, singing, and hearing a Christ-centered message applicable to their lives as young adults. Students meet regularly for additional service projects and fellowship activities as they navigate the challenges of growing in their Lutheran understanding of the Christian faith. We connect college students, who are living away from their home congregations, with Word and sacrament ministry at a local congregation so that they can continue to remain connected to the worshipping body of Christ while at school.</p> <p>College students continue to report increasing levels of anxiety and isolation as they drift through their young adult years seeking purpose and wrestling with their identity. The LSC has a message of hope to offer these students. One of our main challenges is helping students to know about our campus presence. There are many different university clubs, organizations, and events that compete for student attention. Our mission work on these college campuses would be enhanced with additional funds to increase our visibility on campus. We will do this by purchasing t-shirts, stickers, flyers, and other material to pass out at campus events so that we may invite more students to our events and help other students know that we have a campus presence.</p>
The recipient must be affiliated with one of the following. Please select the one that applies to this request:	<b>Registered Service Organization (RSO)</b>
Amount requested:	<b>\$1,000</b>
Project Goals and Objectives	Our goal would be to use this money to increase the visibility of the Lutheran Student Center at local college campuses so that more students may learn of the love Christ has for them. We want to care for students' spiritual, emotional, and physical well-being while at college and to be connected to a community of peers and mentors. We want Lutheran students to know that there is a community at their college that will support them, and we want non-Lutheran students to learn about the treasure of the Lutheran understanding of the Christian faith and feel welcome. We will use the existing resources of the LSC in order to follow up with the outreach that the mission grant would enable us to perform.

Budget Outline and Financial Plan

The Lutheran Student Center is a financially-sustainable RSO of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. Our budget is attached as a supporting document. The ministry will continue to operate sustainably, serving the students that God brings into our midst. This grant would allow us to expand our outreach to campus to invite additional students into our community in a way that our current budget limits as we try to meet existing commitments.

The purchases made with this grant would be overseen by a collaboration between the LSC Board of Directors and the LSC's student leadership board and be made in the 2026-2027 academic year.

Additional Comments or Information

We are grateful for consideration. May God continue to bless your ministry. Photo caption: College students in front of the Lutheran Student Center in Springfield, Missouri

# Lutheran Student Center Financial Report

0

1/1/25 to 11/15/25

## Revenue

		2025 Budget	Percentage	Proposed 2026 Budget
mazon Smile Donations				
Church Support	21,413.63	23,000.00	93%	23,000.00
Food - Revenue		500	0	500
Fundraising	381.00	1000	38%	1000
Grant Income	4,166.66	4000	104%	4000
Individual Support	2,551.88	3000	85%	3000
Parking		60	0	60
Paypal Fees				
Rent	8,238.36	8500	97%	8500
Rent Deposit	782.09	200	196%	200
T-Shirts				
Thrivent Choice	808.00			
Tithe and Offering	76.00	250	30%	250
Uncategorized Revenue				
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$38,417.62</b>	<b>\$40,510.00</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>40,510.00</b>

## Expenditures

Advertising & Outreach		800	0	800
Assn Membership		500	0	500
Cable & Internet	207.00	1400	5%	1400
Custodial Supplies	147.91	200	74%	200
Deposit Refund				
Director's Salary				<b>10,000.00</b>
Fellowship				
Fellowship	565.76	1500	38%	1500
Homecoming		200	0	200
Total Fellowship	565.76	1700	33%	1700
Food	574.62	1500	38%	1500
Insurance	9,435.00	7000	135%	<b>9,500.00</b>
Lawn Care	600.00	900	67%	900
Licenses		25	0	25
Office Expenses	444.91	600	74%	600
Partnership Development				
Fundraising		200	0	200
Total Partnership Development		200	0	200
Paypal Fees - Expense	7.47	75	10%	75
Payroll Taxes				
Postage	31.05	60	52%	60

R & M Center	4,746.25	500	949%	500
R & M House	2,246.88	5000	45%	5000
Real Estate Tax		2200	0	2200
Service	57.60	300	19%	300
Spiritual Life	60.54	225	27%	225
Students-Grad gifts	167.10	0		<b>200</b>
Birthdays		120	0	120
Conference/Retreat	\$996.59	1500	66%	1500
T-Shirts	795.9	300	2.653	<b>500</b>
Total Students	1,959.59	1920	102%	<b>2320</b>
Trash	1,539.40	1400	110%	<b>1500</b>
Utilities Center	\$2,395.30	1500	160%	1500
Utilities House	\$2,087.19	5500	38%	5500
Total Expenditures	\$24,186.63	\$33,505.00	72%	46,505.00
Other Revenue				
Interest & Divident Income				
Interest Income	36.87			
Unrealized Capital Gains/Losses				
Total Other Revenue				
Other Expenditures				
Administrative Fees				
Net Other Expenditures				
Net Other Revenue				
Net Reveue				

Column1	Column2
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
MAIN ACCOUNT (XXX.	122,098.78
SAVINGS (XXXXX 113.	44,320.85
Total Bank Accounts	166,419.63
Other Current Assets	
In Faith Foundation Acc	226,305.39
Total Assets	392,725.02