

September 23, 2021

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church Council

Re: Annual Report of the Endowment Fund Leadership Team

Members of the Endowment Fund Leadership Team are pleased to present our annual report to the SOTV Church Council as required by the Charter and Bylaws of the Endowment Fund.

The Endowment Fund Leadership team has three goals: manage the assets of the fund according to the Investment Policy, solicit and fund grants, and educate SOTV members about the Fund including fund raising activities when appropriate.

### **Asset Management**

Below we present a brief financial summary of results for the fiscal year that ended on July 31, 2021:

Balance at July 31, 2020	\$223,884.14
Market Gain/(Loss)	49,645.08
Donations Received	4,160.00
Grants Funded	<u>(14,000.00)</u>
Balance at July 31, 2021	<u>\$263,689.22</u>

Endowment Fund assets are invested primarily in a balanced mix of stock and bond index funds offered by Vanguard Group. The leadership team monitors asset allocation and performance of the funds against predetermined and approved benchmarks, and at present concludes that all funds are performing as would be expected.

### **Grant Activity**

In the grant process the Endowment Leadership Team first determines the amount of funds available to fund grants. The Charter allows for total grants in the range of 4 to 6% of total average assets at July 31 each year. For the 2020-2021 fiscal year the team allocated 4% of assets or \$7,375.57.

Grants are allocated to the three missions of the Fund according to the directives of the donors. For the year just ended the allocations were as follows:

General Mission	\$1,349.33
Christian Education	4,650.01
Outreach	<u>1,376.23</u>
Total	<u>\$7,375.57</u>

During the year, the Endowment Leadership team funded \$14,000.00 of its \$21,000 three year pledge to the Camp Wapo Capital Campaign. The remaining \$7,000 will be funded in the 2021-2022 fiscal year. No grant applications were received during the fiscal year just ended. The

Leadership Team expects new grant applications will be received as operations at SOTV expand according to COVID 19 guidelines.

**Communication/Fund Raising**

Communication activity for the year was the development of a new video segment that appears on the SOTV webpage for the Endowment Fund. In that video David Kuhnau talks about his passion for SOTV and the Endowment Fund. In addition, he gives basic information about the fund, and how church members can give to the fund.

We appreciate the prayers and support of the Church Council. Thank you!

For the Endowment Leadership Team

  
David Kuhnau, Chair

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