Grant Criteria:

1. Disbursements are made annually.
2. Grants are not made for current operating expenses. Current expenses are understood as activities required by the state.
3. Programs and projects to be funded with Endowment grants are approved by the Synod Council on recommendation of the Endowment Fund Investment Committee.
4. Grant requests for 2027 must be received by December 31, 2026.
5. Priority will be placed on religious and chaplaincy programs, staff development, and professional education scholarships.
6. Lower priority will be given to programs that support activities not required by the State and which have demonstrated long term benefits to seniors and children.
7. Capital expenditures will have the lowest priority. Seed money for development of new programs may be requested for a maximum of three years.
8. Specific dollar amount of the request is required. The maximum amount for 2027 grants will be $5,000.

Northeastern Iowa Synod Endowment Fund

The endowment fund was created by Northeastern Iowa Synod Council resolution on September 7, 1996. The endowment was funded with a gift of $1,394,994.00 on August 17-24, 1998. These gifts came from the estate of Mary Evens Joehnk to be used “for old people’s homes and children’s homes supported by that synod.”