

Love Let Go Project Proposal : Entry # 1340**Submissions for this round of proposals will be due before the end of the day, May 17, 2020.****Sponsoring Congregation Member Name**

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Pastor Peter Christ, Pastor Betsy Hoium

Project Proposal Name

Luther Seminary scholarship for Iringa student

Brief, one sentence summary of the project proposal.

Contribute towards a Bega kwa Bega fundraiser to provide a 2 year scholarship that will allow a student from the Iringa Diocese to attend Luther Seminary.

Name and Contact Information for non-PoP Recipient:

St Paul Area Synod
Attn: Rev. Peter Harrits
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Total Amount Requested

\$10,000.00

Other Funding Sources and Amounts to be Contributed

Bega kwa Bega is conducting a fundraiser to raise funds totaling \$34,000 (\$17,000 per year for 2 years).

The intent is that we would fund \$5000 per year with these funds.

Who will be the "Fiscal Agent" for this Project?

St Paul Area Synod

Detailed Description of Grant Proposal

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Recently the St Paul Area Synod has been contacted by Luther Seminary to consider supporting students from Iringa who are enrolled in degree programs here in Saint Paul. The Iringa Executive Committee believes it aligns both with Iringa Diocese's strategic plan to invest in advanced theological education for their key leaders and our longstanding commitments to education. They also imagine the added benefit of having someone from Iringa among us for an extended period of time. Should conditions allow, this could begin as early as Fall 2020.* Approaching the proposal as a pilot project, Bega kwa Bega has indicated tentative support for one student for two years if we receive firm commitments to do so from individuals and congregations in the next few weeks.

The total request being made of BKB-SPAS is \$17,000/year and includes tuition, living expenses, admin fees, etc. This covers half of the anticipated student expenses, with Luther Seminary covering the remainder.

The Love Let Go proposal would be to provide \$10,000 (\$5000 per year) to support this initiative. If Bega kwa Bega is able to raise more than is needed, this amount could go towards future students (if the pilot project is a success) or to post secondary (University) scholarships if the pilot program doesn't continue.

Who is the "target community" being served?

The target community is the Iringa Diocese, who will benefit from having leaders with advanced education from Luther Seminary. A secondary benefit will be to have a student from Iringa in our local community for 2 years. The three pillars of Bega kwa Bega are Prayer, Presence and Projects. A student in our midst will help strengthen the 'Presence' pillar. The impact will be difficult to measure, but one key indicator will be whether the pilot is deemed a success and more students take part in the future.

Specify any partnering groups or organizations.

This initiative is a partnership between the St Paul Area Synod (Bega kwa Bega), the Iringa Diocese, Luther Seminary and the congregations of the SPAS who are part of Bega kwa Bega.

How can PoP members be involved?

PoP would invite the student to participate in one or more events at Prince of Peace, such as our annual Tanzanian dinner or an Adult Forum. We would also look for opportunities to share hospitality with the student such as family dinners or social events. The Tanzanian Partnership committee at POP would work with the SPAS to coordinate this.

How many people do you anticipate this project will serve?

Unknown - members of the Iringa Lutheran community

How does this project further PoP's mission* in the community being served?

We will help train leadership to spread God's love in the SPAS and in Iringa. Be being part of a larger fundraising effort we will strengthen our bonds with other congregations in St Paul and Iringa. Although the student from Iringa may or may not have a direct connection with our partner congregation in Tanzania, we anticipate that the 'ripple effect' of having well educated leaders will serve the greater good in the Iringa Diocese. If the student is able to spend some time with Prince of Peace they can be a 'surrogate' to send greetings back to our friends in Bomalang'ombe.

Anticipated Start Date

06/05/2020

Other information you would like to share with the committee:

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St Paul Area Synod would like to get pledges for this initiative by June 5th if possible. The hope is that the student would start this fall - September/October 2020. However, that is contingent on the pandemic situation. It's possible that there may be a delay of 1 or 2 semesters.

For the May 31st presentation, there are 3 Tanzania related proposals that I would like to present as a 'package'

Notes



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