2019 Budget Summary

Total annual budget: $6,567,092

Percentage allocated for missions & church multiplication: 71.1%

Allocated for helping congregations with the call process, school ministry, & other ministry matters: 20.3%

Allocated for administration & finance: 8.6%

MISSION FACTS

130 new churches have been planted in the Texas District over the past 15 years.

25% of the mission budget is in the form of returnable dollars that will be used over and over again for new church plants.

In addition to dozens of new church planters, the district is training dozens of lay evangelists to help expand God’s mission.

Mission funds and efforts are helping to reach multiple ethnic groups, many college campuses, new communities, and new generations with the Good News of Jesus.

Offerings to the Texas District help provide scholarships to new church workers at Concordia Universities, at residential seminaries, and in alternate route seminary training programs.

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Texas District offerings support important ministries in Texas: Concordia University, Lutheran Outdoor Ministry of Texas, CAN-DO Missions, Legacy Deo, and Upbring.

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New mission budget categories reflect the mission priorities of the Texas District.

- LCMS National Missions & Ministries: $1,283,000
- Agencies (CTX, CAN-DO, LOMT, Legacy Deo, Upbring): $125,000
- New Mission Development: $587,616
- Church Planter Training: $487,366
- Evangelist Development: $84,400
- Planter Support Systems: $104,430
- Mission Partnerships: $815,425
- Mission Facilities: $93,675
- Scholarships and Student Aid: $75,000
- Mission Consulting Assistance: $877,955
- Congregation Assistance, Call Process: $1,403,675
- Early Childhood, Elem, HS Support: $303,020
- Administration and Finance: $67,191

NEW MISSION DEVELOPMENT includes new churches borrowing interest-free, returnable start-up funding.

CHURCH PLANTER TRAINING involves new church planters already engaged in new starts.

EVANGELIST DEVELOPMENT helps train and connect lay-evangelists for new outreach ministry.

PLANTER SUPPORT SYSTEMS provide training, coaching, and demographic resources for planters and congregations.

MISSION PARTNERSHIPS reflect support for regional mission leaders in West Texas, the Rio Grande Valley, in deaf ministry outreach, and in networks like LINC Houston, Glocal Mission, LINC Austin, and LINC North Texas.

MISSION FACILITIES shows the support provided for buildings owned by the Texas District for campus ministry and urban ministry efforts.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND STUDENT AID shows the portion of funding that supplements the many endowments and gifts provided for the support of university and seminary students.

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