



## **ELCA World Hunger Domestic Hunger Grant Application**

### **Guide for collecting a stakeholder testimonial**

*Your Domestic Hunger Grant application must include a personal testimonial from a stakeholder in your project or ministry. This testimonial is an opportunity for a person with lived experience of poverty or hunger to share her or his unique perspective on the impact of your ministry. A testimonial can take the form of a letter, the transcript of an interview or conversation, etc. — as long as the stakeholder's unique voice comes through. If safety or confidentiality is a concern, the stakeholder's full name need not be included.*

*The template below provides sample language to use when inviting a stakeholder to write about her or his experience with your ministry. It is meant to be a helpful guide. Once the testimonial has been written and submitted to you, please save it as a PDF and upload it as instructed in your application.*

### **Template for inviting a letter from a stakeholder in your ministry**

Greetings!

Thank you for being part of the work we do together. We have been blessed to walk alongside you through \_\_\_\_\_ (*name of ministry or project*), and we hope you can help us continue this work. We are applying for a Domestic Hunger Grant from ELCA World Hunger, a ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. This grant will help provide needed support for our ministry.

ELCA World Hunger supports projects that value the perspectives of all participants. Because you are a valued stakeholder in \_\_\_\_\_ (*name of ministry or project*), we would appreciate your taking the time to share your experiences with the ELCA.

In your letter, please include:

- your name (first name only is OK);
- how long you have been involved with our work; and
- the impact and importance of our work for you, your family or your community.

Any information you include in your letter will be kept confidential.

Thank you for your support and for sharing your experiences with ELCA World Hunger.