

Mission Grants Resource Team



Team Members: Gary Fischer; Nancy Rouble; Susan Siczkar; Diane Trollope – chair; Bea Webb – sec't; Rev Melody Duncanson Hales - Staff Resource

This Team is a cracker jack Team. Signing up for possibly six meetings turned into an emergent time of COVID 19 and began meeting weekly till the summer. Melody has been more than present and on top of the ever-changing rules and we are most grateful for her time and energy. This Team is a privilege to work with. A dynamic Team alert, ready and willing.

Thank you, Team!!

That being said our work covered a range of applications from uncomplicated requests to CEBA Loans to recommend, or approve, and send on. We are hoping a time will come to be again looking at Camping requests for children and youth programs like Rendez Vous, they may have met in new ways, but face to face is the best way to be together. Again, thanks to our Staff Resource... Melody for her time, and hard work with us and across this Regional Council.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Diane Trollope
CSRC Mission Grants Team – Chair

**The following applications were reviewed and supported by the regional Grants Team:
2020 Mission Support Grant Awards: (approved at Regional Council Support to Communities of Faith Commission):**

Mission Support Grants, funded by generosity to the Mission and Service of the United Church of Canada, are administered and awarded within each region to offer support to communities of faith and outreach ministries of the United Church. The Canadian Shield Regional Grants Team develops contextual criteria, invites applications, reviews information and offers award recommendations to the Support to Community of Faith Commission.

2020 Canadian Shield RC Mission Support Grant Budget: \$60,000

Pastoral Charge Mission Support Grant Projects

Goulais River UC:	6,000
Val D'Or SEM:	3,000
Hearst SEM:	3,000
Total congregational:	\$12,000

this time

Outreach Ministry and Social Issues

Camp McDougall	20,000
Rainbow Camp:	17,500
Daisy Chain Drop-In	4,500
Grand River Bookstore	<i>not recommended at</i>
Total outreach:	\$42,000

Budget for Canadian Shield MSG:	\$60,000
total recommended requests:	<u>- 54,000</u>
Remainder held for emergent needs:	\$ 6,000

United Church of Canada Capital Assistance Programs

The purpose of the Capital Assistance Fund is to provide financial assistance for the renewal and development of congregations, camps, education centres, community ministries, and chaplaincies. Assistance is available in the form of loans and targeted grants for eligible pastoral charges/congregations and other ministries that would otherwise be unable to undertake or complete these projects. These programs include Technology Support Grants, Church and Manse Modernization Grants, and Capital Assistance Loans. Since temporarily freezing funding due to pandemic restrictions, The United Church of Canada Capital Assistance programs have resumed and the Grants team is currently reviewing applications and recommends awards from The United Church of Canada

Capital Assistance Loan awarded to Trinity UC, Manitoulin
(\$25,000 in support of accessibility project)

Church Modernization Grant awarded to Trinity UC, Manitoulin
(\$5,000 matching grant in support of accessibility project)

Church Modernization Grant awarded to Restoule UC, Nipissing PC, Restoule ON
(\$5,000 matching grant in support of roof repair)

Pending: St. Paul's UC, Temiskaming QC (roof repair)

Pandemic Emergency Funding

United Church of Canada Pandemic Bridging Loan: *This is a short-term emergency loan program for congregations during the pandemic. Loans of up to \$10,000 are available to communities of faith that need a short-term top-up after they have accessed the government programs available or are transitioning out of the government benefits. Grants Team reviews applications and recommends awards from The United Church of Canada.*

Trinity UC, Thunder Bay
Espanola UC, Espanola

Canadian Emergency Business Account

This \$55 billion federal program provides interest-free loans of up to \$40,000 to small businesses and not-for-profits. Repaying the balance of the loan on or before December 31, 2022 will result in loan forgiveness of 25 percent (up to \$10,000). Grants Team reviews and supports requests to pursue these federal loans.

Holy Trinity UC, Elliot Lake
Trinity UC, Thunder Bay
Willowgrove UC, Sault Ste Marie
Zion United Church, Thessalon
Emmanuel UC, North Bay

Canadian Shield Regional Council Grants

A variety of modest grants to support faith communities and individuals in mission, outreach, faith formation, lay leadership development, youth and camping ministries, continuing education and support to networks and clusters are available to members of the Canadian Shield region. The Grants Team sets criteria for these programs, reviews requests and awards funds. If you have a project, a ministry, an event, or continuing education goal that could use financial support, please contact Melody Duncanson Hales, staff support to the Grants Team.

2020 Networks and Clusters grants awarded to the North Bay Mission Cluster to support programming in anti-racism education, climate care activism, mental health and wellness, and local mission outreach. (total awarded: \$2140)

2020 Camping Ministries grant awarded to Camp Duncan in support of administration costs (\$1000)

Respectfully submitted by Melody Duncanson Hales, staff support to the Canadian Shield Regional Council Grants Team.