

The United Church of Canada  
Canadian Shield Regional Council

**REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE: PROPERTY COMMISSION**

This policy outlines responsibilities of the Regional Council and Property Commission with respect to property matters involving a community of faith and surplus sales.

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**PURPOSE:**

When a community of faith sells property, other than a manse, and intends to continue as a worshipping community without a building, a plan for distribution of funds must be approved by Canadian Shield Regional Council.

**PRIORITIES:**

First priorities for use of proceeds of sale must always be:

- Reimbursement of holding/maintenance/disposal costs
- Dealing with shortfalls in assessments and other outstanding bills/arears

**SALES LESS THAN \$200,000:**

If the property sells for less than \$200 000, the community will retain 100% of the proceeds of sale for investment in mission and ministry of the congregation.

**SALES MORE THAN \$200,000:**

If the property sells for more than \$200 000 the proceeds, in excess of \$200 000, after maintenance/disposal costs and shortfalls have been met, the proceeds will be allocated as follows:

- 5% for archives
- 5% for mission and service
- 10% for Indigenous Ministries and justice
- 20% to initiatives of the Regional Council to support other communities of faith
- 60% for priorities of the community of faith that may include investment in mission and ministry and/or donations to other registered charities