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## PTCC's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Report

### *Celebrating 10 years of Distributing over \$16 million Capital and Net Revenue Grants to Communities of Faith, Presbyteries and Charitable Organizations!*

#### 1. Introduction

The Presbyteries of Toronto Conference Corporation (PTCC) was established in 2010 as a charitable Ontario Corporation with a mission to serve the Presbyteries of Toronto Conference of the United Church of Canada by making capital and net revenue grants to communities of faith and charitable organizations. After January 1, 2019, with the formation of Regional Councils, PTCC now serves the successors of the Presbyteries, namely Shining Waters Regional Council and Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council.

To celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of PTCC, this report has been prepared to elaborate on the grants made over these years and the projects and programs undertaken by the communities of faith, Presbyteries and charitable organizations of Toronto Conference and its Founding Presbyteries: South West, Toronto Southeast, Living Waters and Northern Waters Presbyteries. The Board of Directors has met at least five times a year over the period from 2011 to 2020 to consider grant applications from the Presbyteries and the Regions.

PTCC has approved grants in total of *approximately \$16.48 million*, for payment into 2023. The total amounts of the grants to be made and the funds, are as follows:

- *PTCC Fund - Grants of \$14.93 million from this fund,*
- *New Ministries Development & Leadership Fund - Grants of \$1.51 million from this fund, and*
- *South West Presbytery Urban Forest Ministry Fund - Grants of \$41,730 from this fund.*

#### 2. PTCC's Assets – It's Canadian and US Investments

Financial assets needed to setup the accounts of PTCC were transferred to PTCC from Toronto Conference, the Founding Presbyteries, the Toronto West Presbytery Corporation and the Toronto Tri-Presbytery Corporation and these assets have been invested in financial markets over the last 10 years.

PTCC has invested the assets it received with the investment firm of RBC–Dominion Securities Inc. over the 10-year period, both in Canada and the United States.

##### a) Canadian Dollar Portfolio

The Canadian dollar portfolio started at a value of \$7.66 million in December 2010 and through transfers of funds from Toronto Conference, the Presbyteries and investment returns, reached a maximum portfolio value of \$12.51 million in 2016. Activity in the Canadian portfolio has included:

- Fund additions from Toronto Conference and other sources during this period were approximately \$8.62 million,
- There was a \$2.00 million transfer to the US portfolio in 2014, and
- Grant payments of approximately \$15.45 million were made to charitable organizations from 2011 to 2020.

**On December 31, 2020 the Canadian dollar portfolio value was \$8.00 million.**

**b) United States Dollar Portfolio**

The United States dollar portfolio was created in 2014 with a value of US \$2.02 million by a transfer of funds from the Canadian dollar portfolio. PTCC has withdrawn US\$700,000 from the fund over the period to 2020.

**On December 31, 2020 the United States dollar portfolio value was US\$2.35 million.**

**3. PTCC Fund - Net Revenue & Capital Grants made from 2011 to 2023 (\$14.93 million)**

PTCC has approved grants for distribution to communities of faith, Presbyteries and charitable organizations since 2011. Net Revenue grants represented the annual investment income from the capital investments. Capital grants resulted in the drawdown of the invested capital for larger development projects, including multi-year projects in accordance with the 2010 Operating Agreement.

The PTCC Fund was set up for the Founding Presbyteries and the South West Presbytery Community Ministries under a 2010 Operating Agreement. \$14.93 million in grants have been approved for payment from the PTCC Fund into 2023.

**a) South West Presbytery Community Ministries (\$2.93 million)**

These Community Ministries are located in the former South West Presbytery and continue their ministries as the Jane-Finch and Davenport-Perth Community Ministries and have been operating within their Toronto communities for over 40 years. PTCC will have distributed a total of \$2.93 million to these Community Ministries by 2022 when current PTCC funding arrangements will end.

**b) South West Presbytery (\$2.62 million)**

This Presbytery was associated with the establishment of the Toronto West Presbytery Corporation in the 1970's. It had a history of making grants to charitable organizations in the community and to communities of faith for church development and redevelopment. Grants approved by PTCC to 2023 for this Presbytery are in the order of \$2.62 million.

**c) Toronto Southeast Presbytery (\$3.73 million)**

This Presbytery was associated with the establishment of the Toronto Tri-Presbytery Corporation in the 1970's. It had a history of grants to charitable organizations in the community and to communities of faith for church development and redevelopment. Grants approved by PTCC to 2023 for this Presbytery are in the order of \$3.73 million.

**d) Living Waters Presbytery (\$2.81 million)**

Grants approved by PTCC to 2023 for this Presbytery are in the order of \$2.81 million.

**e) Northern Waters Presbytery (\$2.84 million)**

Grants approved by PTCC to 2023 for this Presbytery are in the order of \$2.84 million.

**4. Highlights of the PTCC Fund: Grants Approved for Distribution from 2011 to 2023 (\$14.93 million)**

PTCC has approved grants over the last 10 years to provide financial assistance to charitable organizations, communities of faith, community ministries and Presbyteries to meet the needs of these organizations to carry on charitable work in communities, to provide various programs and for capital projects associated with communities of faith.

**a) Percentage Distribution of PTCC Fund Grants to Communities of Faith, Presbyteries, Community Ministries and Other Charitable Organizations:**

- 40% of the grants to Communities of Faith (\$5.97 million),
- 25% of the grants to Presbyteries (\$3.73 million),
- 20% of the grants to Community Ministries (\$2.93 million), and
- 15% of the grants to Other Charitable Organizations (\$2.30 million)

**b) PTCC Fund: Grants Received by Communities of Faith (40% of the grants, \$5.97 million)**

Communities of Faith were very active and creative in preparing grant applications for programs and projects at their churches over the period from 2011 to 2020 and received \$5.97 million in grants.

**Some of the Programs and Projects that received grants:**

**Bathurst UC, Toronto** – futures planning expenses (\$79,000);

**Burton Avenue UC, Barrie** – outreach project in Nicaragua, Central America. (\$338,800);

**Cummer Ave. UC, Toronto** – outreach programs (\$88,000);

**Eglinton St. George’s UC, Toronto** – futures planning study, Project Flourish (\$266,250);

**Fairlawn Ave. UC** – futures planning study, redefining their Congregation (\$303,715);

**Filipino Christian Fellowship Mission, Toronto** - operational expenses (\$105,000);

**Georgina Island Pastoral Charge,** operational expenses (\$55,000);

**Good Tree Korean Church, Toronto** – operational expenses (\$65,000);

**Grace UC, Brampton** – Grace Place expenses for operations and programs (\$172,000);

**Hope UC, Toronto** – Fresh Expressions program expenses (\$90,000);

**Islington UC, Toronto** – food bank, inter-faith camp and GO Project expenses (\$56,000);

**Knob Hill UC, Toronto** – youth programs (\$48,838);

**New Hope UC, Vaughan** – operating expenses (\$50,000);

**North Bramalea UC, Brampton** – program expenses for Ardglan Community and The Journey project (\$184,000);

**Parkwoods UC, Toronto** – outreach program expenses (\$81,000);

**Regent Park Community Ministry Mission, Toronto** – operating expenses (\$392,000);

**Roncesvalles UC, Toronto** – operational expenses and outreach programs (\$135,135);

**Shelburne/Primrose UC, Shelburne** – operational expenses (\$90,368);

**Tamil UC Mission, Toronto** – operational expenses (\$146,500);

**Wesley Mimico UC, Toronto** – outreach programs (\$69,920);

**West Hill UC, Toronto** – studies related to future rentals (\$45,466), and

**Windermere UC, Toronto** – Stone Soup Project expenses (\$95,000).

**Some of the Capital projects that received grants:**

**Glebe Road UC, Toronto** - renovations in 2018 of commercial space to create the Transform Café, a youth led initiative (\$225,000);

**Kemble Sarawak UC, Kemble** - addition to the church and accessibility project (\$177,000);

**Lansing UC, Toronto** – Interest payments on a loan for major renovation project (\$140,540);

**New Lowell UC, New Lowell** - accessibility project (\$70,000);

**St. Paul’s UC, Midland** - renovation and accessibility project (\$265,000);

**St. Paul’s, UC, Orillia** – installation of audio & video equipment for on-line services (\$200,000);

**Wasaga Beach UC, Wasaga Beach** - grants for partial financing of the building of the church in 2014 (\$250,000) and a grant for the partial financing of the building expansion in 2018 (\$530,000) for a total of \$780,000;

**Westminster UC, Orangeville,** grants for partial funding of improvements to the sanctuary and other parts of the church including the kitchen to make it a community hub. (\$411,610).

**c) PTCC Fund: Grants Received by Presbyteries (25% of the grants, \$3.73 million)**

Presbyteries received \$3.73 million in grants from PTCC and used the funds to assist communities of faith in the following ways: financial support, training and programming and providing additional staffing within the Presbytery to provide more services and programs for the communities of faith.

- **12% of the Grants (\$450,000) for Communities of Faith:**  
Presbyteries received grants in total of \$450,000 to provide financial support for various communities of faith in need, missions and “emerging churches” under their supervision. This included a grant of \$246,400 for the Living Presence Ministry, East Gwillimbury.
- **37% of the Grants (\$1.38 million) for Programs:**  
As well, grants in total of \$1.38 million were used by Presbyteries to provide programs and training for communities of faith.
- **51% of the Grants (\$1.90 million) for Presbytery Additional Staffing & Other Costs:**  
Presbyteries also used grants in total of \$1.90 million from PTCC to provide additional staffing and other costs to augment the provision of services for communities of faith.

**d) PTCC Fund: Grants Received by Community Ministries (20% of the grants, \$2.93 million)**

The Jane-Finch and Davenport-Perth Community Ministries are located in the former South West Presbytery in Toronto. They have been operating within their communities for over 40 years. PTCC will have distributed a total of \$2.93 million to these Community Ministries by 2022, when current funding arrangements by PTCC will end.

**Community Ministries that received grants:**

- **Jane Finch Community Ministry:** \$1.53 million
- **Davenport Perth Community Ministry:** \$1.40 million

**e) PTCC Fund Grants: Received by Other Charitable Organizations (15% of the grants, \$2.30 million)**

Presbyteries have been supporting a wide variety of other charitable organizations for many years, even prior to the Toronto Conference re-organization in 2009.

**Other Charitable Organizations that received grants:**

- **South West Presbytery:**  
Stonegate Community Ecumenical Ministry, Toronto (\$61,965); Toronto United Church Council - new innovative ministry program (\$200,000); and Weston-King Neighbourhood Centre, Toronto (\$253,000).
- **Toronto Southeast Presbytery:**  
Anglican United Refugee Alliance (AURA), Toronto (\$88,000); Ecumenical Chaplaincy at University of Toronto (\$119,500); Massey Centre for Women (\$51,000); Moorelands Community Centre (\$37,000); Toronto Christian Resource Centre (\$51,778); Toronto Urban Native Ministry (\$51,000) and Toronto United Church Council - new innovative ministry program (\$200,000).
- **Living Waters Presbytery:**  
Five Oaks Centre (\$25,000) and Toronto United Church Council – new innovative ministry program (\$100,000).
- **Northern Waters Presbytery:**  
Anglican United Refugee Alliance (AURA), Toronto (\$5,000); Five Oaks Centre (\$5,000); Grey Bruce Healthcare Chaplaincy (\$28,370) and Queen’s Bush Rural Ministries (\$3,000).
- **Presbytery Support for United Church Camps (\$756,550)**  
Grants that were made to United Church Camps included:  
**Sparrow Lake Camp** (\$290,050). – *South West Presbytery*,  
**Camp Big Canoe** (\$222,000) – *Living Waters Presbytery*,  
**Camp Simpresca** (\$135,000), – *Northern Waters Presbytery*,

**Lake Scugog Camp** (\$109,500) – *Toronto Southeast Presbytery*.

**5. New Ministries Development and Leadership Fund (NMD & L Fund) Grants made from 2016 to 2021 (\$1.51 million)**

PTCC has approved grants from the NMD & L Fund for distribution to communities of faith and Presbyteries since 2016. The fund had an initial capital of \$3 million and was set up under a 2016 MOU. Over the period from 2016 to 2020, PTCC has approved \$1.51 million in grants for payment up to 2021.

**a) NMD & L Fund Grants Received by Communities of Faith (\$1.27 million)**

Communities of Faith have submitted a number of grant applications for programs and projects at their churches.

*Some of the programs and projects that received grants:*

**Filipino Christian Ministry, Toronto** – operating costs (\$20,000);

**Good Tree Korean UC Mission, Toronto** – operating costs (\$25,000);

**Grace UC, Barrie** – expenses for a pilot youth program (\$50,000);

**Islington UC, Toronto** – The Resonance Project, expenses for youth led worship service and programs (\$180,000);

**Lansing UC, Toronto** – expenses for the Collective Kitchen project (\$50,000);

**Lawrence Park Community Church, Toronto** – expenses for a new emerging ministry for 24 to 45 year old's (\$270,000);

**Le Ministère Protestante Francophone de Toronto**, operating expenses (\$90,000);

**North Bramalea UC, Brampton** – expenses for on-line worship services (\$85,000);

**St. James UC, Parry Sound** – expense for the church to transition to a Centre for Community (\$117,809);

**Tottenham-Rich Pastoral Charge, Tottenham** – expenses for counselling for a subsidized mental community health program (\$100,000);

**Uganda Martyrs UC, Toronto** – operating expenses (\$35,000);

**Westminster UC, Orangeville** – Community Kitchen project (\$128,791);

**Windermere UC, Toronto** – Stone Soup project (\$80,000).

**b) NMD & L Fund Grants Received by Presbyteries (\$248,500)**

*Programs supported by the Presbyteries included:*

**Living Waters Presbytery** - Leadership Learning Cohort program (\$48,500), and

**The Living Presence Ministry, East Gwillimbury** (\$200,000).

**6. South West Presbytery Urban Forest Ministry Fund (UFM Fund) Grants from 2018 to 2020 (\$41,730)**

PTCC has approved grants from the UFM Fund for distribution to communities of faith in the former South West Presbytery since 2018. The fund was set up with an initial capital of \$1.3 million under a 2018 MOU. Over the period from 2018 to 2020, PTCC has approved \$41,730 in grants for payment up to 2020.

*Programs and projects that received grants:*

**Filipino Christian Ministry, Toronto** – operating costs (\$20,000);

**Le Ministère Protestante Francophone de Toronto** - operating expenses (\$20,000);

**St. John's UC, Georgetown & Glen Williams** - Ev's Kitchen (\$550);

**St. John's UC, Georgetown & Glen Williams** - weekly lunch program (\$1,180).