

Canon 42

Huron Development Fund

- 1. There shall be a Huron Development Fund (the "Fund") to assist the Diocese and the Parishes by giving grants and/or loans for the purpose of:
 - (a) promoting new ministry initiatives in Parishes or the Diocese;
 - (b) funding major capital improvements/additions to buildings which will further mission and ministry in Parishes of the Diocese;
 - (c) encouraging the development of new congregations;
 - (d) acquiring land in areas of potential future Parishes;
 - (e) supporting, at the request of the Bishop, costs of clerics; and/or
 - (f) satisfying special needs of the Diocese.
- 2. The Fund shall receive money for the above purposes from the following sources:
 - (a) the net proceeds, as determined by Canon 12, of property from disestablished Parishes, Chapels of Ease, cemetery chapels or summer churches;
 - (b) the remaining trust funds from disestablished Parishes or Chapels of Ease, unless Diocesan Council directs otherwise, subject to the terms of any applicable trust;
 - (c) the net proceeds, as determined by Canon 12, of the sale of property of reorganized Parishes that have been determined to be surplus to the needs of the Parishes:
 - (d) any other money directed to the Fund by Diocesan Council;
 - (e) bequests and gifts directed to the Fund; and/or
 - (f) income earned on investments and loans made by the Fund.
- 3. The Fund shall be invested in the investment portfolio managed by the Diocese.
- 4. Income earned on the invested capital of the Fund may be used at the discretion of Diocesan Council or Diocesan Sub-Council as revenue for the Diocesan Budget.



- 5. Applications for grants/loans from the Fund shall be considered by the Administration and Finance Committee through the Grants and Loans Sub-Committee, which shall make its recommendation thereon to Diocesan Council or Diocesan Sub-Council, based on the merits and viability of the project and in accordance with the strategic priorities of the Diocese.
- 6. Terms governing grants/loans shall be as follows:
 - (a) each application shall be submitted to the Secretary-Treasurer and, if it is a request coming from a Parish, with the recommendation of its Territorial Archdeacon;
 - (b) if the request comes from a Parish, it shall be submitted by the Incumbent and the Churchwardens of the Parish, in accordance with specific direction given to them from a duly constituted meeting of the Vestry;
 - (c) all applications to the Fund for Diocesan needs shall be approved by the Bishop;
 - (d) written requests for grants/loans shall be accompanied by complete details of the proposed undertaking, a firm bid or a reliable estimate satisfactory to Diocesan Council or Diocesan Sub-Council, and a complete detailed plan in writing of the proposed financing; and
 - (e) all applications for grants/loans shall be considered and approved or rejected by either Diocesan Council or Diocesan Sub-Council.