

FUNDING MISSION AND MINISTRY IN HAMILTON CONFERENCE
MISSION STRATEGY AND SUPPORT
FUNDING DOCUMENT
2008-2009

THE UNITED CHURCH CREED

We are not alone,
we live in God's world.

We believe in God;
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.

We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

HAMILTON CONFERENCE PURPOSE

The purpose of Hamilton Conference of the United Church of Canada;
in partnership with other Courts of the Church, parallel structures of other denominations
as well as relevant secular agencies; is to be responsible for providing leadership and
resources in order that the life and work of Jesus Christ may be known in the Church and
in the world.

HAMILTON CONFERENCE PRIORITIES

Hamilton Conference, in 2003, established the following four priorities for the mission
and ministry of Hamilton Conference.

1. Healthy Congregations and Presbyteries
2. Effective Leadership
3. Faithful Public Witness
4. Strengthening Partnerships

FUNDING 2009

The Hamilton Conference funding allocation process is guided by the purpose and priorities of the Conference.

Hamilton Conference has been allocated \$378,229 for 2009 funding. This total represents a decrease of \$70,000 from our 2008 total.

All applicants must be a registered charity. Please include a copy of your Canadian Registered Charities Detail Page from the CRA website.

Hamilton Conference Funding is allocated on an annual basis: all applications are reviewed on a year-by-year basis.

FUNDING CATEGORIES

There are no priority levels within the following six categories.

CORE FUNDING

Funding applications will be received for Mission and Ministry in four categories (listed alphabetically):

- Community-Based Outreach Ministry
- Intercultural and Diverse Communities Ministry
- Native Ministry
- University Chaplaincy

NEW INITIATIVES

Applications will also be received in two further categories:

- New Initiatives
- New Directions in Ministry

In these two categories, priority will be given to new initiatives and new directions that are moving toward partnership and partnership funding.

NOTE: Application forms that accompany this Hamilton Conference document: You will fill in an MSG5 or an MSG7 form, which will be accompanied by a procedures guideline document. Please read carefully all the instructions that accompany your application form. These are General Council guidelines and must be followed in order for the application to be received and processed.