2007 Impact Report

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During 2007, The United Church of Canada Foundation has helped members of The United Church of Canada make an impact within and beyond the United Church community. Our Seeds of Hope granting program encouraged innovation and collaboration among United Church organizations. Our Cift Fund program allowed generous people to support congregations, outreach ministries, health charities, anti-poverty groups, and many other partners in God's mission.

Our sense of celebration extends not only to the impact of Foundation programs, but to the generous supporters who have made Foundation programs possible. Whether donors choose to transfer securities to their congregations through their Gift Funds, pool their gifts with many others in our Living Spirit Endowment Fund and Mission Focus Funds, or create perpetual support for specific organizations through a Personal Endowment Fund, they embody generosity and gratitude. Their open-handed sharing proclaims their commitment to The United Church of Canada now and far into the future.

After five years of growth we celebrate donors' open-handed sharing... and this is just the beginning!

Another vital Foundation program enables United Church organizations to invest their own trust funds and endowments in a professionally managed, low cost and socially responsible manner. By the end of 2007, 54 congregations, Presbyteries, Conferences, congregational foundations and partner organizations had joined the Foundation's investment program, enhancing the return on their own assets while supporting the mission of the Foundation through a portion of their administration fee.

November 22, 2007 marked the fifth anniversary of the Foundation's incorporation. In our first five years, hundreds of Founders gave the initial gifts that allowed the Foundation to sustain a national Board of Directors, hire a small staff, and begin the profoundly satisfying work of engaging donors in building endowment support for the work of The United Church of Canada. The programs described above are only the beginning of what generous people committed to the future of the United Church will accomplish through the Foundation in years to come.

"Great spiritual connection!"
"Incredible – some of the greatest
people I have met!"

These enthusiastic comments described the Winter Reunion Retreat of the Future Quest youth program at Queen's Theological College. The previous summer, participants had lived in intentional community, exploring theology

and leadership

During the Winter Reunion Retreat, supported by The United Church of Canada Foundation, many of the youth returned to Queen's to explore the subject of science and religion. In reflections on "life after Future Quest," the youth affirmed how deeply the program had affected their lives and motivated them to act for justice.

At a formative time in their lives, Future Quest participants (ages 14 to 17) established a theological grounding in reflection and action that will guide them throughout their lives. The United Church of Canada Foundation was proud to partner with Queen's Theological College and the Lilly Endowment Inc. to deliver this remarkable program.

OUR DONORS MAKE AN IMPACT

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this list. If you notice an error, please accept our apologies and notify us so we may correct it.



2007 ENDOWMENT DONORS

Thanks to the generosity of the people listed below, The United Church of Canada Foundation is able to help support innovative ministries across Canada. We celebrate the donors who made an endowment gift to the Foundation in 2007.

* Covenant Donors, indicated with an asterisk, have given \$10,000 or more to the Foundation's Living Spirit Endowment Fund, Sustaining Fund, and/or Mission Focus Funds.

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IN MEMORIAM

In 2007 The United Church of Canada Foundation received endowment gifts honouring the lives of the following individuals.

Harold F. Blanchard Isaac and Minnie Bourne Marion Graves Pearse Hughes Marion Laing Douglas John Parsons Belva Piercy

OPERATIONS DONORS

These donors support the day to day work of The United Church of Canada Foundation. We are very thankful for their help in achieving our mission.

Kevin Burke Foundation at the Toronto Community Foundation Thea Brandsma Family Foundation at the Strategic Charitable Giving Foundation Sarah Magee The United Church of Canada

LEGACY DONORS

The United Church of Canada Foundation is grateful for the intention of the following individuals to build endowment funds through gifts from their estates.

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PERSONAL ENDOWMENT FUNDS

With a Personal Endowment Fund, donors can create decades of support for the congregations and organizations they cherish. Active funds have already achieved a capacity to make annual grants. Emerging funds are created in stages, and are growing towards grantmaking capacity.

Active Funds
Anonymous (2)
Davey Family Fund
Robert Dunlop Endowment Fund
Frank and Pat Guenther
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Endowment Fund
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Waddington Family Fund

Emerging Funds Archives Fund

Shirley and Doug Chandler Endowment Fund Doug Flanders Fund William Allison Haynes Fund #1 William Allison Haynes Fund #2 Doug and Ethel Lapp Fund C. Jean Moore Fund









GIFT FUNDS

Darker Family Fund

With a Gift Fund, donors can transfer a gift of securities through The United Church of Canada to their chosen organizations, often to congregations without their own brokerage accounts. Through the Gift Funds listed below, donors contributed over \$1.8 million to congregations and other charities in 2007.

Accessibility Professionals Fund Anonymous (17) Robert and Linda Adams Charitable Fund Jim & Carol Andrews Fund Arbutus Cove Fund Archibald Fund Ross Ashforth Fund Janie and William Badger Fund Margaret Baillie Fund A. Baker Fund Frank and Lavell Baldock Fund Bell Family Fund Charles and Katherine Black Fund Roger Bolt Fund Barb and Rod Bolton Fund John H. Brown Fund Buffalo Hills Fund George & Phyllis Burgess Fund Susan and Robert Burns Fund Donald Butt Fund Marilyn and Ralph Cameron Fund Shirley and Doug Chandler Charitable Fund Lois Clarke Fund Clipsham Fund Coburn Fund Dianne Cooper Fund Cox-Dixon Family Fund Craig Family Fund Jane Craig Fund James Crowley Fund

John A. Cunningham Fund

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Through The United Church of Canada Foundation, generous people all over Canada are helping to sustain the mission of the United Church. Join them now by making a gift to one of the Foundation's endowment funds, beginning your own Personal Endowment Fund, or making your next gift to your congregation through a Gift Fund.

Choose from several funds that support local, regional, national or global ministry

A gift to the future of The United Church of Canada

When you make a gift to the Foundation, you may choose from several funds that support local, regional, national or global ministry.

- the Living Spirit Endowment Fund, to allow flexible response where the need is greatest;
- * the Peace and Justice Fund, to support peace, justice and environmental initiatives;
- the Faith and Mission Fund, to strengthen faith in United Church communities and help them meet challenges of membership, mission and change;
- the Leadership Fund, to train and support paid and volunteer leaders;
- the Theological Education Fund, to support United Church theological schools and educational centres; or
- the Sustaining Fund, to support The United Church of Canada Foundation's own mission of building endowments for The United Church of Canada.

A gift to the future of your congregation and other charities

Through a Personal Endowment Fund you can ensure long-term support for the organizations you value. The Foundation carefully invests and stewards your fund so that it increases in value and is always used for the purposes you specify. You can create decades of annual support for purposes you choose, such as your own congregation, a United Church educational centre, a peace and justice agency, or the Mission and Service Fund.

A gift to the mission of today

Through a Gift Fund you can support the work being done right now by your congregation and other organizations you value. For example, you can make a donation of securities to your Gift Fund and let the Foundation know how to distribute the sale proceeds. A Gift Fund can also help you make a special gift to an organization while remaining anonymous.

For more information on any of these ways to give, or to get started, please call 1-866-340-8223 or return the form on the next page.

I WANT TO MAKE AN IMPACT

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☐ I would like more information about creating a bequest for The United Church of Canada Foundation in my will.	☐ I would like more information about creating a Personal Endowment Fund within The United Church of Canada Foundation.			
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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS please call 1-866-340-8223 (toll free); 416-231-5931 ext. 3411 (local) or e-mail fdn@united-church.ca	PLEASE MAIL THIS FORM TO: The United Church of Canada Foundation 3250 Bloor Street West, Suite 300 Toronto, ON M8X 2Y4			

AUDREY KENNY MADE AN IMPACT

One thing I have tried to instill in my children and grandchildren is that helping others is what makes you truly happy and that no one is any better than anyone else. We all have times in our lives when we can be of help to those who need it.

When I look back on my life, I realize how fortunate and happy I have been. When I think of all the interesting people, ministers, and missionaries that have influenced me over the years in discussion groups, CGIT Camp, Presbytery, Conference, and General Council, I know that they all had a positive effect on my life. I now realize that my faith is still growing and I am grateful that the United Church has been there to guide me. I am sure there are many others across the country that have been as involved in the Church as I have and want to keep it going for future generations.



For a full list of Covenant Donors, please see page 4. I believe The United Church of Canada Foundation is a great idea and I was interested right from the start. I think my interest is a direct result of the United Church's influence throughout my life. Giving to the Foundation is a wonderful way of reaching out and helping in many areas and my gifts will continue to grow and help others for years to come.

That is why I am so proud to be a Covenant Donor and contribute to the Foundation's Living Spirit Endowment Fund. My gifts today and over the past few years will provide support perpetually for the Church and all its people and the lives they touch. At my age, I am thankful that I have had such a full life with good health, a loving husband, children, and grandchildren. I will continue to do what I can for others as long as I am able.



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GRANT RECIPIENTS

SEEDS OF HOPE GRANTS

The following organizations received grants through the Seeds of Hope program in 2007:

Bridges to Hope, St. John's NL.
Downsview United Church, Toronto, ON
Tatamagouche Centre, Tatamagouche, NS
Queen's Theological College, Future Quest
Program, Kingston, ON
River Bend Inner City Ministry,
Saskatoon, SK
Wesley Urban Ministries, Hamilton, ON
Youth Connections, Jane Finch Community
Ministry, Toronto, ON

For a description of each project, please visit our website, www.unitedchurchfoundation.ca



PERSONAL ENDOWMENTS

The following organizations received grants from Personal Endowment Funds at the request of the donors in 2007:

Bloor Street United Church, Toronto, ON Brussels United Church, Brussels, ON Mission and Service Fund of The United Church of Canada

GIFT FUNDS

The following organizations received grants from Gift Funds at the request of the donors in 2007:

519 Community Centre • Almonte United Church, Almonte, ON • Alzheimer's Society of Nova Scotia • Amnesty International • Angola Memorial Scholarship Fund • Atlantic School of Theology • Avonlea-Briarcrest Pastoral Charge, Avonlea, SK • Barrhaven United Church, Nepean, ON • Beacon House Interfaith Society, Lower Sackville, NS • Beaconsfield United Church, Beaconsfield, QC • Beaurepaire United Church, Beaconsfield, QC • Bissell Centre • Bloor Street United Church, Toronto, ON • Buffalo Hills Pastoral Charge, Arrowwood, AB • Burlington Civic Chorale • Calvary United Church, St. Jacobs, ON • Camp Oochigeas • Canadian Cancer Society, Greater Vancouver Division • Canadian Cancer Society, Nova Scotia Division • Canadian Food Grains Bank • Canadian Hunger Foundation • Canadian Mental Health Association, Nova Scotia Division • Canadian Wildlife Foundation • CanStage • Caritas Hospital Foundation • Central United Church, Welland, ON • Chalmers United Church, Kingston, ON • Change for Children • Christ Church United Church, Mississauga, ON • Christ the Redeemer Anglican Church, Garden Bay, BC • Christian Blind Mission International • Clifford Elliot Spirit of Saskatchewan Trust • Cloverdale United Church, Surrey BC • Cobequid Community Health Centre Foundation • Como Lake United Church, Coguitlam, BC • Crescent United Church, Surrey, BC • Dalhousie Campus Ministry Committee of The United Church of Canada • David Suzuki Foundation • Downsview United Church, Toronto, ON • Dunbar Heights United Church, Vancouver, BC • Durham & Community Health Care Foundation • Durham & District Food Bank • Easter Seal Society of Ontario • Eastminster United Church, Belleville, ON • Eastminster United Church, Toronto, ON • Ecology Action Centre • Equiterre • Federated Health Charities • Fingal United Church, Fingal, ON • First United Church, Ottawa, ON • Five Oaks Education and Retreat Centre • Fonthill United Church, Fonthill, ON • FoodShare, Toronto, ON •

Fort Garry United Church, Winnipeg, MB • Frontier College • Gabriola Island United Church, Gabriola, BC • Garden Hill United Church, Port Hope, ON • Gordon Head United Church, Victoria, BC • Grace-St. Andrew's United Church, Arnprior, ON • Granton-Wesley United Church, Granton, ON • Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation • Harrow United Church, Winnipeg, MB • Heart & Stroke Foundation of BC & Yukon • High River United Church, High River, AB • Highlands United Church, North Vancouver, BC • Inter-Church Health Ministries • John Black Memorial United Church, Winnipeg, MB • Kapuskasing United Church, Kapuskasking, ON • Kimberley United Church, Kimberley, BC • Kingston United Church, Kingston, NS • Knox United Church, Caledon, ON • Knox United Church, Durham, ON • Knox United Church, Sackville, NB • Knox United Church, Taber, AB • Knox United Church, Vancouver, BC • LaLeche League Canada • Lennoxville United Church, Sherbrooke, QC • Letterbreen United Church, Mount Forrest, ON • Lions Gate Hospital Foundation • London Conference, United Church of Canada • Maple Grove United Church, Oakville, ON • McClure United Church, Winnipeg, MB • McDougall United Church, Edmonton, AB • Meals on Wheels East Toronto Inc. • Metropolitan Community Church, Toronto, ON • Metropolitan United Church, Toronto, ON • Mill Woods United Church, Edmonton, AB • Minnedosa United Church, Minnedosa, MB • Mission and Service Fund of The United Church of Canada • Mount Bruno United Church, St. Bruno, QC • Mount Forest United Church, Mount Forest, ON ● Mount Seymour United Church, North Vancouver, BC ● Muskoka Steamship and Historical Society • Neal Memorial United Church, Port Rowan, ON • New Hope United Church, Concord, ON • Newtonbrook United Church, North York, ON • Northminster United Church, Willowdale, ON • Norval United Church, Norval, ON • Nova Scotia Lung Association • Ontario SPCA • Orleans United Church, Orleans, ON • Palgrave United Church, Caledon, ON • Parkinson's Society of Canada, Maritime Region • Pictou United Church, Pictou, NS • Plan International Canada Inc • Plura Hills United Church, Kamloops, BC • Powell River Food Bank • Powell River United Church, Powell River, BC • QEII Health Sciences Centre Foundation Rayjon Share Care of Sarnia Inc.
 Richmond Hill United Church, Richmond Hill, ON
 Riverside United Church, London, ON • Ross Memorial Hospital Foundation • Rotary Club of Bowmanville • Rotary Club of Gravenhurst • Salvation Army – British Columbia Division • Salvation Army – Maritime Division • Salvation Army – Ottawa Branch • Samaritan's Purse Canada • Sarawak United Church, Sarawak, ON • Scarboro United Church, Calgary, AB • Sechelt Food Bank • Senior Link • Sick Kids Foundation • Siloam United Church, London, ON • Southdale Chaplaincy, London, ON • Sparling United Church, Winnipeg, MB • St. Andrew's (Beaverton) United Church, Beaverton, ON • St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Petrolia, ON • St. Christopher's Anglican Church, Burlington, ON • St. James United Church, Waterdown, ON • St. John's United Church, Chesley, ON • St. John's United Church, Oakville, ON • St. Luke's United Church, Mississauga, ON • St. Matthew's United Church, Halifax, NS • St. Matthew's United Church, Toronto, ON • St. Michael's Hospital Foundation • St. Paul's-Eastern United Church, Ottawa, ON • St. Stephen's College • St. Thomas-Wesley United Church, Saskatoon, SK • St. Williams United Church, Port Rowan, ON • Ste. Croix Pastoral Charge, Ste. Croix, NS • Steinbach United Church, Steinbach, MB • Student Christian Movement • Texada Island United Church, Gillies Bay, BC • The Christian Children's Fund • The Leprosy Mission Canada • The Lesbian and Gay Community Appeal Foundation • Toronto East General Hospital Foundation • Toronto School of Theology • Toronto Symphony Orchestra • Transport 2000 Atlantic • Transport 2000 Canada • Trinity United Church, Bowmanville, ON • Trinity United Church, Gravenhurst, ON • Trinity United Church, Guelph, ON • Trinity United Church, Holstein, ON • Trinity United Church, Port Coquitlam, BC • Trinity United Church, Saskatoon, SK • Trinity-St. Paul's United Church, Toronto, ON • The United Church of Canada, Stewardship Leadership Development Fund • United for Peace Campaign of The United Church of Canada • United Way of Greater Toronto • United Way of Halifax • United Way of Peel Region • University of Toronto • University of Waterloo • University of Western Ontario • Vanscoy United Church, Delisle, SK • Victoria University, University of Toronto • Walsingham United Church, Port Rowan, ON • West Side United Church, Pleasantville, NS • Westboro United Church, Ottawa, ON • Westminster United Church, Orangeville, ON • Westworth United Church, Winnipeg, MB • White Oaks United Church, London, ON • Wild Rose United Church, Calgary, AB • World Centre for Inter-Spirituality and Ecology • World Wildlife Fund • Youth Connections • YWCA Canada

GRANTS AVAILABLE FROM THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA FOUNDATION

Seeds of Hope

The Seeds of Hope program may support the work of The United Church of Canada's General Council, Conferences, Presbyteries, and congregations, as well as related institutions such as community ministries, theological colleges, camps, and seniors' homes. The Grants Committee of the Foundation's Board of Directors reviews applications and recommends granting decisions to the Board. Funds for the program are drawn from the Living Spirit Endowment Fund, four Mission Focus Funds, some Personal Endowment Funds whose donors have asked the Foundation to choose recipients, and from the investment fees paid by participants in the Foundation's congregational investment program.

For more information on the application guidelines and process, visit the Foundation's website at www.unitedchurchfoundation.ca

JOSEPH AND ALMA THOMPSON

For Joseph and Alma Thompson two of Jesus' most powerful teachings are "love your neighbour" and "care for those in need." In one of many acts of sharing, Joe and Alma decided to make a gift through their wills so that the organizations they cherish would eventually receive a generous legacy. Still, they hoped for a way to make an even greater impact, a way to benefit their favourite ministries both now and in future years.

Then Joe and Alma learned that through The United Church of Canada Foundation they could act right away to create present and future support for their congregation, Lundy's Lane United Church, and the Mission and Service Fund. Each year, they can advise the Foundation if they wish other organizations to receive funds as well. They were delighted to establish a Personal Endowment Fund with the Foundation by making a gift of securities.

When asked why they chose to set up their endowment fund now, Joe and Alma said, "This is permanent. Our congregation benefits without having to do anything and it gives us the ability to help people locally and father afield for years to come. We also were able to eliminate the tax on the capital

Other Grants

Some Personal Endowment Funds donors name the organizations to receive support in their grant agreements, or advise the Foundation annually of the charities they would like to fund. Gift Fund donors intend their entire gift to be distributed immediately to their chosen organizations.

Sharing hope and generosity



gains of our securities. That allowed us to act immediately, rather than waiting to set up the endowment through our wills."

Joe and Alma have created a gift for ministries now and in the future through their Personal Endowment Fund. Like their prize-winning garden, it will bear a harvest for generations to come.

For a full list of our Personal Endowment Funds, please see page 5.

A GIFT OF HOPE FROM WESLEY URBAN MINISTRIES

Imagine a neighbourhood where parkland, recreation centres and libraries are scarce, where the poverty rate is over 25% and yet social services are fragmented and insufficient.

Imagine the generosity of a congregation facing its own closure that chooses to gift its building to a United Church community ministry with the skills and experience to make an impact in the neighbourhood.

Imagine that building transformed by the vision and energy of Wesley Urban Ministries into "A Gift of Hope:" a neighbourhood centre where children enjoy art classes and a summer day camp, people are Imagine
your gift
making an
impact like
this

trained to deliver early learning and literacy programs, and community development includes neighbourhood beautification, movie nights, a block party, and collaboration between residents, local schools and social service agencies.

The United Church of Canada Foundation was pleased to join Wesley Urban Ministries, the City of Hamilton, the Hamilton Community Foundation and many other supporters to create "A Gift of Hope" to that struggling neighbourhood. We thank the United Church organizations who created the revenue to support "A Gift of Hope" through their participation in our congregational investment project.





THE IMPACT OF INVESTING

When the Directors of The United Church of Canada Foundation began to consider how to invest our donors' gifts, they first adopted the socially responsible investment (SRI) guidelines of The United Church of Canada. Briefly, those guidelines affirm investment in companies that

- have and enforce a written code of ethics,
- contribute directly to the development of the communities in which they operate;
- offer good benefits programs and ensure health and safety practices; and
- have a good environmental record relative to their industry.

As well, the guidelines encourage avoiding companies with product safety concerns or involved in the production of alcohol, tobacco, pornography, gaming equipment, and weapons. You can be confident that your gifts will be invested in accordance with your faith values.

The average annual return on the Foundation's investments over five years remained respectable at 10.46%. The

Your gifts support your faith, every day. market volatility that characterized 2007, however, affected the record of high investment returns, reducing that year's return to 1.55%. The Foundation's prudent stewardship of endowment funds during years of high return enabled us to continue granting 5% of our average fund balance, calculated over the previous two years.

Other United Church organizations congregations, camps, colleges, Presbyteries and Conferences-may participate in the same balanced pooled fund the Foundation uses for its own investments. At the end of 2007, four Conferences, five Presbyteries, foundations, 42 two congregational congregations and one ecumenical organization had invested \$15.45 million through the program. The administrative charge for these organizations is just 1%. Of that modest amount, the Foundation retains 4/5 as a contribution to its own mission of developing sustainable endowment funding for The United Church of Canada.

FOUNDATION FINANCIAL SUMMARY

at December 31, 2007

	2007		2006		
BALANCE SHEET	2007		2000		
Assets	Ф. 1. coo o 1 .		ф. 1.00 <u>5</u> .050		
Marketable securities Cash	\$ 1,609,917 525,558		\$ 1,085,050 145,897		
Accounts & contributions receivable	40,888		68,465		
Prepaid expenses	18,889		614		
Capital assets	907		988		
Total assets		\$ 2,196,169		\$ 1,301,014	
Liabilities					
Accounts payable & accrued charges	\$ 602,056		\$ 89,256		
Deferred revenue	0		65,000		
Fund Balances					
Operating fund	\$ 52,792		\$ 25,525		
Gift Funds	558,908		n/a		
Endowment funds	1,583,562		1,120,245		
Capital fund	907	_	988	_	
Total, liabilities and fund balances		\$ 2,196,169		\$ 1,301,014	
ENDOWMENT REVENUES					
Donations to endowment funds	\$ 475,652		\$ 602,812		
Investment income, net	151,825		75,312		
Total		\$ 627,477		\$ 678,124	
GIFT FUND REVENUES					
Gift Fund donations	\$ 1,876,403		\$ 647,586		
GRANTING ACTIVITIES					
Seeds of Hope grants	\$ 61,175		\$ 5,085		
Gift Fund grants	1,876,120		642,711		
Total grants since inception		\$ 2,602,698		\$ 665,403	
OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Operating donations	\$ 4,352		\$ 6,697		
Sustaining grant from UCC	297,500		237,000		
Investment income & fees	139,706	Φ	25,681	Φ	
Total operating revenues		\$ 441,558		\$ 269,378	
Salaries and benefits	\$ 206,714		\$ 146,942		
Fund development & investment programs	158,694		81,157		
Transfer to Seeds of Hope grant program	40,000		0		
Administrative expenses	54,074		43,734		
Total operating expenses		\$ 459,482		\$ 271,833	
PARTICIPATION IN CONGREGATIONAL INVESTMENT PLAN					
Number of accounts	58		22		
Value of investments	\$ 15.45 million		\$ 8.9 million		
One year rate of return	1.55%		11.95%		
Five year rate of return	10.46%		9.59%		
Administration fee	1%		1%		

Audited statements are available upon request or at www.unitedchurchfoundation.ca/newsandevents

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