



Pacific Mountain Region

The United Church of Canada

ProVision Fund

Overview, Criteria and Procedures of the Fund (2025)

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The ProVision Fund is a legacy from the sale of church properties in the Pacific Mountain Region (formerly B.C. Conference). Since the ProVision Fund began in 2011, it has made almost over 500 grants totalling over \$7 M.

The purpose of the Fund is to provide grants which enable the United Church to create and foster new ministry programs and projects throughout the Pacific Mountain Region. Applications may be submitted by Communities of Faith, Ministries, Clusters (Communities of Faith grouped geographically) or Networks (persons or committees gathered around a shared mission interest).

Proposals should intend to do one or more of the following:

- Foster a new ministry which addresses one of the Region's priorities: Identity (Reconciliation, Intercultural, Affirming, Anti-racist); Healthy Communities of Faith; and First Third Ministry.
- Launch a new program 'on the edge' of the church's experience or which intends to work for transformational change in the life of a Community of Faith.
- Undertake research and/or strategic planning for the development of a new ministry.
- Develop and provide community-based ministries with other churches or agencies.
- Assist Communities of Faith with local programs which reach out to serve community needs.

Grants can be recurring, but annual reporting and review will be required. Normally, grants for new ministry programs or projects are for no more than three years.

Grants cannot be made for either capital costs (including equipment or furnishings) nor routine operating expenses such as congregational expenses or ongoing staffing. Grants are not

made for independent research nor artistic compositions.

When completing the following **Application Form**, you will be asked to provide details regarding those involved, the financial plan for the proposal, the proposed program and its management.

The ProVision Fund Committee will give consideration to proposals whose **Application Form** provides all of the following:

- clear statements of a) goals, b) how the proposal's vision connects to the life of the applicant group, c) a well-developed plan, d) a plan for measuring the outcomes, and e) a budget that includes both income and expenses;
- an income budget which shows expected income from congregatinal support and from other sources, including where applicable, from program participants;
- reference to a strong faith commitment;
- if applicable, a statement as to how the proposal is intended to bring transformational change to the Community of Faith;
- if a Network, letters of support from others in the community active in the field of endeavour; and
- details of the approval and financial support from the applicant's governing body.

The ProVision Fund Committee is a volunteer committee. It includes people experienced in the life of Communities of Faith throughout the Region and follows conflict of interest procedures for its members. The Committee:

- sets an annual allotment of funds available for new grants. These available funds are generated by an endowment managed by the Region;
- meets soon after each deadline date, makes final decisions and promptly advises applicants;
- makes decisions based on the submitted applications; and
- releases 75% of the grant at the start and holds back 25% for release subsequent to the submission of a Final Report.

ProVision Grants are awarded by the Pacific Mountain Region ProVision Fund Committee.

In 2025, the deadlines for submitting an application are: Feb 28, May 31st and October 31st.

Applications, Final Reporting and Transfers of Funds are all made electronically.



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<u>Application for Grant Assistance (2024)</u>

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Initial Information

a) Name of Community of Faith, Ministry, Cluster or Network applying for	r a grant '
Max 80 characters	
b) Name of Proposed Program or Project *	

Max 50 characters

e) Brief (one or two sentence	es only) description of the proposal *
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d) Date to be funded *	<u>.</u> *
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e) Is this a new project? *	○ No
○ Yes	○ No
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Postal Code
f.3) Phone Number(s) Phone Number 2 Phone Number 1
g) Name and email address of one other person on the organizing committee *
h) Charitable Registration Number (no grant can be made without this information) *
i) Amount of ProVision grant requested *
<u>Project Details</u>
1) Provide a brief statement outlining the context for the proposal. This should describe your Community of Faith, Ministry, Cluster or Network and the faith commitment for this ministry. *
2) Provide a clear statement outlining the measurable goals of the proposed program or ministry. *

) Provide an	outline your pl	ans to achieve	these goals	. *		
) Describe th f the life of y	e ways in whic our Communit	th this proposa y of Faith. *	l will affect a	ind/or coordin	nate with other aspe	cts
Outline the	plan you have	for measuring	the outcome	es of the prog	ram/project. *	
) If there are	other commun r involvement.	ity or church g	roups involv	red in the pro	gram/project, descr	ibe
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7) Please describe the revisions amount of the ProVision grant r	s you would make to your p equested.	plans if you do not receive the full

8) a) Please adapt the following Budget Outline to create your own proposed ministry/project/program Budget. Some categories will likely not need to be included while others that are particular to your circumstances may need to be added.

Expected Income and Sources:

- Community of Faith Financial Support
- Funds from Partners (specify)
- Other United Church grants (specify)
- Participation Fees
- Fundrainsing & Donations
- ProVision Fund Grant request
- Other (specify)
- TOTAL INCOME

Projected Expenses Items and Cost:

- · Contracted Staff and Leadership
- Promotion & Printing
- Training & Education
- Hospitality
- Website Management
- Materials & Supplies
- Accomodation
- Other (specify)

TOTAL EXPENSES

Nb. Your two TOTALS should be the same.

8) b) In addition, please note the in kind (i.e. at no cost) resources to be provided - Please select all categories that apply to your proposal and others as required:
☐ Program & Volunteers
☐ Volunteers Leaders & Staff
☐ Church Facilities Use
☐ Office, Security and/or Janitorial Services
☐ Equipment Use
Other

When completed, review the Budget with your Community of Faith Council to obtain their approval and support and then attach it to your Application (as per #9 below).

9) Income and Expenses Budget - Upload a ministry budget showing all sources of proposed income and all categories of proposed expenditures. (PDF or DOCX).

You must upload a least one document to this section, before you will be able to submit your application. If you are having problems uploading files please contact the Pacific Mountain Region office. *

Select File(s) to be Uploaded

- 10) a) Upload (PDF or DOCX) a letter or church council minutes which show that the <u>Community of Faith's</u> governing body has reviewed and approved the full Application and is supporting the Application by providing some funding in addition to staff time and any other in kind contributions. Application from Clusters should include two approvals.
- b) For <u>Networks</u>, rather than letters of approval, at least one letter of support should be uploaded (PDF or DOCX). These should be from persons experienced in the field of endeavour but not involved in the governance of the proposed project/program.

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Before submitting your Application, please ensure that you have read the <u>Overview</u>, <u>Criteria and Procedures</u> section and have completed all sections of this Application.

If you have questions either about your proposal or the Application form and process prior to submitting your Application, you may contact:

Chair Rev. Dr. Michael Caveney (250) 372-3020 mcaveney@kamloopsunited.ca

Secretary Rev Gordon How (778) 839-4408 ghow@shaw.ca

Thank you for your Application. The ProVision Fund Committee will meet soon after the 2025 deadlines of Feb. 28th, May 31 and Oct. 31st and promptly advise you of its decision.

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