



ANGLICAN
FOUNDATION OF CANADA 
imagine more

ABOUT US

THE ANGLICAN FOUNDATION OF CANADA was created by a motion of General Synod in 1957 to encourage and support ministry within the Anglican Church of Canada.

Leading the way in resourceful ministry since 1957, AFC has benefited dioceses, hundreds of parishes, and thousands of Canadian Anglicans with the provision of financial support for ministry from coast to coast to coast.

As a member-based organization, AFC invites individuals, parishes, and church organizations to make an annual contribution so that it can respond generously to applicants who are engaged in ministry to serve the Canadian Church. The Foundation's ability to support ministry is also funded by bequests, memorials and special gifts, donor-designated trusts, life insurance, gift annuities, and investment income.

A Board of Directors chaired by the Primate of Canada includes appointed and elected lay and ordained representatives from across Canada. It meets twice per year to review applications, award grants, bursaries, and loans, and direct strategic planning and development.

The work of the Foundation is made possible through the devotion, generosity, and collective goodwill of hundreds of donors. The support of dedicated Anglicans of all ages makes it possible to sustain the Foundation in the ministry of generosity to the Canadian Church.

Statement of Identity

The Anglican Foundation of Canada seeks to provide abundant resources for:

- innovative ministries
- Anglican presence
- diverse infrastructure projects

across the Canadian Church.



MEMBERSHIP

When a Foundation for Canadian Anglicans came into being in 1957, it was agreed that every parish would contribute \$50 per year in order to support ministry and mission throughout Canada. Over 50 years later, we continue to give parishes and individuals the opportunity to make a regular contribution.

Every donation makes a positive contribution, so you may choose one of the following membership categories or an amount of your choice.

Annual	\$50–499
Sustaining	\$500–999
Benefactor	\$1,000–4,999
Life	\$5,000 +

An easy way to give is by way of pre-authorized deposit each month. You may also contribute through Visa or MasterCard and benefit from your credit card reward program by earning points or Air Miles!

Toonie Membership for children and youth

Here's how it works:

- 1) Your youth group, church school, confirmation class, or choristers collect toonies during a special season like Lent or Advent
- 2) Send your donation to the Anglican Foundation
- 3) We place toonies in our Kids Helping Kids Fund which provides:
 - breakfast for kids before school
 - after-school homework coaching
 - the chance to go to choir school or summer camp
 - palliative care for children with an end-of-life diagnosis
- 4) Each young donor receives:
 - a membership card
 - a certificate signed by the Primate

MEMBER BENEFITS

- the opportunity and satisfaction of playing an important role in the advancement and growth of ministry
- the opportunity to learn about exciting ministry throughout the country and network with people and parishes
- the opportunity to make a visible and significant difference for good among Canadian Anglicans

What else do you get?

- a membership card
- bi-monthly Foundation Update with current news and how your membership dollars are being spent
- an opportunity to nominate and vote for members of the Board of Directors
- eligibility to be a Board Director by nomination and election
- invitation to attend the Annual General Meeting

Membership gives you a unique chance to be part of things that really matter in the Church. Your participation in the Foundation can literally make a difference in someone's life.



HOW MEMBERSHIP DONATIONS ARE USED

We believe your donation dollars are important. You want them to make a difference, and so do we!

At the Foundation, we direct your dollars toward projects that make ministry happen and where financial need is greatest.

Here are some examples of where money is spent:

- education for the formation of well-prepared lay leaders, clergy, and academics in order to build a strong Church
- repair, renovation, and restoration of church buildings that provide space for worship, community events, spiritual growth, outreach, music and the arts, and learning opportunities
- accessibility ramps so that churches are a welcoming place for all people
- life-changing experiences for children and youth through music, the arts, drama, worship, and summer camp
- provision of compassionate spiritual and medical care to children with an end-of-life diagnosis
- grants for theological students to provide excellence in spiritual formation, strong biblical and theological instruction, and leadership development in order to sustain an enduring Anglican Church
- opportunities for church musicians and choristers to compose, sing, and play inspirational music for today's Church
- funding for before-school breakfast programs in order to raise healthy kids
- funding for after-school homework clubs to provide a supportive learning environment
- ecumenical, inter-faith partnerships and outreach initiatives
- elder-care and housing



WHAT MAKES US UNIQUE?

Our Canadian scope

- we desire to serve the people of God and support their ministries
- we do things that matter
- we are responsible stewards of donor dollars
- we provide tangible and measurable impact
- we support innovation, inclusion, and diversity
- we are able to inspire and transform people's lives



WHAT CAN WE DO FOR YOU?

Each diocese may apply for a total of three grants per year for:

- program grants for ministry initiatives
- building grants for construction and renovation
- church music in Canada
- education and programs in Canada's North
- worship initiatives, liturgical arts, outreach and community endeavours

Application deadlines each year are April 1 and September 1.

Application forms are available online at www.anglicanfoundation.org
Or you may call the Foundation office at (416) 924-9199 x322.

HOPE BEAR

Hope Bear joined AFC in 2011 as a tangible reminder that the Anglican Church cares for kids in Canada by establishing a Kids Helping Kids Fund. With a \$20 donation, you can have your own Hope Bear—a great gift for a special celebration—with all funds going to support:

- helping kids go to summer camp or choir school
- helping kids with homework after school in a supportive learning environment
- caring for kids with a life-limiting illness
- providing breakfast for kids before school

Each Hope Bear comes with a special gift bag, paw-print tissue, and a favourite Bible verse: “May the God of hope fill you with joy and peace.”

Your Hope Bear will come dressed as one of the following:

- Baptism Bear
- College Bear
- Wedding Bear
- AFC Bear (scarf or t-shirt)
- Christmas Bear
- Canadian Forces Bear
- Bedtime Bear
- Clergy Bear

Also available:

- Happy Adventures of Hope Bear Colouring Book
- Baby Bear key chain

GIFT PLANNING

You may wish to support the work of the Foundation in other ways:

- cash for immediate grants or for endowment
- listed securities, saving tax payable on capital gains
- a charitable bequest in your will
- life insurance
- gift annuities
- a charitable remainder trust
- a gift of residual interest



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