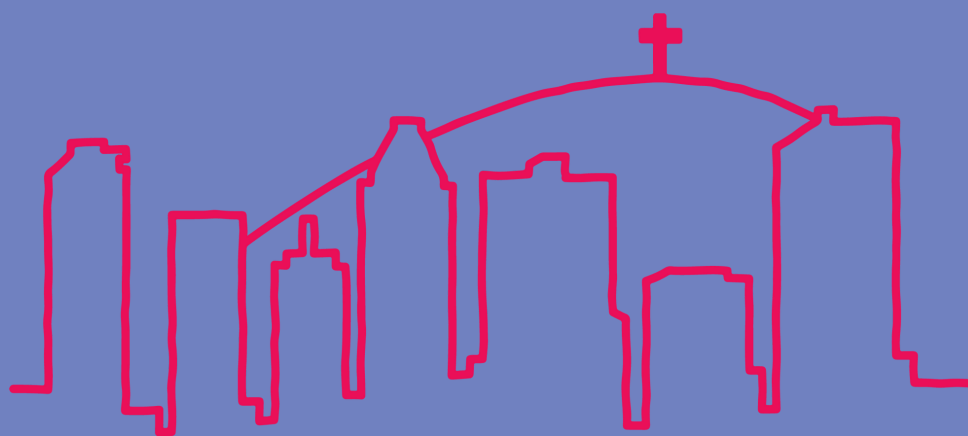


SAY YES! TO KIDS

2022



Montreal Mission Internship

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About the Anglican Foundation of Canada

Since 1957 the Anglican Foundation of Canada (AFC) has been a champion for diverse ministries across Canada: providing abundant resources for innovative ministry. Thanks to the many loyal donors who support our grant program, we have helped to strengthen the church in Canada by serving vulnerable communities, encouraging the growth and development of dynamic leaders, giving life to buildings old and new, and increasing the church's capacity to pursue community-based ministries that are creative and compassionate.



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A message from AFC's Executive Director

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Dr. Scott Brubacher, Executive Director

Across the Canadian church, there are seeds of ministry waiting to be sown, green shoots taking root, and others growing stronger every day. They all need life-giving water to flourish where they have been planted: serving young people in their communities and energizing our church.

Since 2011 the Anglican Foundation of Canada (AFC) has awarded more than \$1.5 million in youth-focused grants across Canada.

In 2021 alone, after the launch of Say Yes! to Kids, AFC granted an astonishing \$470,000 in funding to 79 grant recipients. All the projects were different, but they shared a common goal: to imagine more and to put that imagination into action to grow a brighter future for young people, today.

In 2022 we are taking the next step in igniting a nationwide movement for children, youth, and young adults. By working in partnership with churches across Canada through Say Yes! to Kids, we will lead a national peer-to-peer fundraiser to create a sustainable, abundant, source of funding for youth-focused ministry.

To all champions of the Montreal Mission Internship (MMI), please accept my thanks for joining us on the Say Yes! to Kids journey. We wish you great success with this year's campaign.

Montreal Mission Internship

MMI is a summer-long program that provides the opportunity for service-learning and vocational reflection to young people in the context of a supportive Christian community. Over the course of the program, young people are enabled to put their faith into action and discern their calling in our changing world against the backdrop of one of Canada's most vibrant, diverse, and plural cities.



Why now?

The Covid-19 pandemic has challenged many young people, disrupting their education and social life. The last two years have also made clear the scope of the challenges we face as a society. MMI provides an opportunity for young people to make meaningful change and connection in this increasingly complex landscape in which they are coming of age.

Our mission

MMI provides interns with the opportunity to follow their passions and serve in an area of need that is close to their hearts. We allow time for personal reflection, community building, spiritual growth, and learning through workshops and group meetings. We give our interns a platform from which to use their voices, become leaders, and act as change-makers in the community.



MMI Impact

"MMI gave me the freedom to explore my interests and calling. Weekly group reflection, paired with regular meetings with a mentor, helped me to draw connections between what I was experiencing in ministry and how God was acting in my life. The internship came at a crucial moment in my life when the search for meaning and direction was felt most keenly."

- Ben Stuchbery, MMI 2015

Our Fundraising Goal: \$5,000

Every \$5,000 raised provides a young person with a transformative, 9-week paid internship experience where they can spend their summer serving God, discerning their passion, growing in love while also receiving fair compensation.

Help expand our reach

As the cost of living rises steadily, money can be a serious barrier for young people seeking opportunities for growth. We want to enable more young people from all across the country to benefit from the MMI experience. With the generosity of our donors, we can reduce financial barriers to participation.



Promote Service-learning

The service-learning placement is the heart of the MMI program. Placements may include work at one of Montreal's many faith-based service organizations. Be it homelessness, food insecurity, or migration, placements are carefully chosen and arranged based on the participants' interests, the quality of supervision, and the availability of meaningful work.

Support a young person's journey

The COVID-19 pandemic has stalled the lives of many young people on the verge of adulthood. Your gift will give one more young person access to a high-quality paid internship that will help launch them onto a path they are passionate about and provide them with the community support and opportunities for vocational growth that have been sorely lacking during the pandemic.



Your gift to our diocese and beyond

For every \$10 donated to the MMI Say Yes! to Kids campaign, \$4 will be shared between youth-focused ministry at the diocesan and national levels. This year's Say Yes! to Kids partners are:



Photo: Janet Best

The Rt. Rev Mary Gibson
Bishop of Montreal

Going the Extra Mile for our Mile End Kids

"I am pleased to say that summer 2022 looks a lot brighter for children who are connected to Mile End Mission's Montreal community thanks to a 2021 grant from the Anglican Foundation of Canada. For 12 Mile End kids, this grant will provide for accommodation and transportation, enabling them to enjoy a week-long camp experience at Quebec Lodge Outdoor Centre in the Eastern Townships.

Through the years, the Diocese of Montreal has supported the work of the Mile End Mission in many ways. This year, we will designate the diocesan portion of Say Yes! to Kids funds to go the extra mile for these children: outfitting them with the necessary camping supplies—bathing suits, sunscreen, sleeping bags, etc.—to have a truly successful camp experience."



The Most Rev. Linda Nicholls
Primate, Anglican Church of Canada
Chair, AFC Board of Directors

National Partners: Support for Indigenous Youth

"We believe Indigenous youth across Canada have a unique ability to help point the way forward for our church: creating greater openness, and reclaiming Indigenous culture and traditions and further integrating them into the life of our church.

The Anglican Foundation of Canada will build on its long history of support for Indigenous-focused initiatives. Working through national partners—including the Primate's World Relief & Development Fund, and the Anglican Church of Canada—we will fund Indigenous youth initiatives that are national in scope, and that complement the transformational work being done at both the local and diocesan levels."

The Say Yes! to Kids Movement

At MMI we are not alone. By joining the Say Yes! to Kids movement, we are among an increasing number of Canadian Anglicans who are embracing creative, compassionate ministries that support children, youth, and young adults.

Through youth drop-in centres, weekend retreats, music clubs, hot lunch programs and more, Say Yes! to Kids grant recipients are growing a brighter future for young people. These are just some of the Say Yes! to Kids impact zones:

RESILIENCE & MENTAL HEALTH



FAITH FORMATION



ALLEVIATING HUNGER & POVERTY



EDUCATION ENRICHMENT



CAPACITY BUILDING FOR YOUTH MINISTRY



ARTS & MUSIC



OUTDOOR RECREATION



INDIGENOUS MINISTRIES



CLIMATE CARE



The Say Yes! to Kids Vision



After ten years of funding for impact in youth-focused ministry and outreach, the Anglican Foundation of Canada has learned that churches and dioceses know how to show up for young people. We possess the creativity and innovation to imagine more. What we need is to be resourced faithfully and abundantly. Through Say Yes! to Kids, we can participate in a nationwide team effort that will help us raise more money than we could ever hope to raise alone. With God's help we will:

See the big picture

Strengthen funding for local, regional, and national ministries while also growing awareness about the ways in which the church is taking collective responsibility—at all levels—for ministering to children, youth, and young adults.

Change the conversation

Gradually change the conversation and the culture, growing a brighter future for young people that includes the abundant resources required to truly make them a mission priority: in principle and in practice.

Provide sustainable funding

Provide seed funding to those who are branching out, and sustainable funding to those who are thriving. Say Yes! to Kids will play a leadership role in securing an engaging vision for ministry within reach of every young Canadian.

Energize the church

Witness the flourishing of youth-focused initiatives across the Canadian church—feeling renewed with hope and joy and energized for ministry in all areas of our common life.

Our Campaign Team

"Thank you for putting values first, and teaching me to love others more broadly and openly, and to find comfort in vulnerability."

-Nick Oigny, MMI 2015

The Montreal Mission Internship (MMI) is a project of the Montreal Diocesan Theological College and the Montreal School of Theology. To learn more about how you can support MMI through this year's Say Yes! to Kids campaign, please contact a member of our campaign team.

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