

The Anglican Diocese of Toronto can be compared to a rich tapestry, a tapestry woven by its people, building places of worship, some of which are still outstanding architectural jewels. An early encouragement and patronage of the arts and crafts persists to this day with tangible evidence in beautiful vestments, superb silver work, and its choirs and organists amongst the best in the land.

Deeply committed to a strong and just society, our early clergy and lay people joined together to build a hospital, university and schools. Then, as now, we sought to help not only our own congregations, but also to help the needy, the sick, and the elderly outside our Church.

St. James tells us that “faith without good works is dead.” The Diocese of Toronto through its work is as alive today as it was nearly 200 years ago – our people bearing witness to God’s call.

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OUR COMMON PAST

Each of us dreams of making a difference. In that first small group of Anglicans that arrived in what is now the environs of Toronto in 1793, there were men and women, a rich amalgam of people of outstanding talents and determination, making small and large differences, that we still feel and benefit from today.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Your Gift to The Anglican Diocese of Toronto Foundation can be done in several ways:

- Cash
- A bequest under your Will
- A life insurance policy
- Stocks and bonds
- RRSP/RRIF
- A Charitable Remainder Trust
- Tangible property

You may wish to make a gift in memory of a loved one or for yourself. The Foundation will be happy to discuss these opportunities with you. Further information may be obtained by calling 416-363-6021 ext. 246.

Such gifts can be made for immediate use, or as a capital fund with only the income used on those purposes you stipulate.

The Foundation will ensure that your commitment of support will be honoured.

You may make a gift during your lifetime, or at death, through your Will or a RRSP/RRIF, or an insurance policy designation.

TOGETHER IN FAITH AND HOPE

The Diocese of Toronto was founded in 1839 and over the years has responded compassionately and prophetically to God's mission to draw all people to the light of Christ. It is the most populous of the 30 dioceses in the Anglican Church of Canada, comprising 238 congregations in 204 parishes located throughout South Central Ontario.

The Diocese includes the fastest-growing suburban region in Canada and also covers a large rural area. The Diocese is home to many culturally diverse and language-based congregations, and serves thousands of people each year through its parish and diocesan programs. Across the Diocese more than 78,000 people are served at our food-banks and outreach services, and more than 24,900 bed-nights are provided to those in need, through homeless shelters and Out of the Cold programmes.

Every year new people are joining our churches. They are excited about God's mission and enthusiastic about Anglican values and ministries. During the past 10 years, Anglicans of all ages were engaged in the work of the Church, giving generously to its ministries, and vigorously committed to the Gospel of Christ. Truly God is making all things new in the Diocese of Toronto.

Today, our Church and parish communities are faced with new needs and blessed with exciting opportunities to respond to God's call to draw all people to the light of Christ. We possess valuable resources, but the needs of our communities call us to do more. We must keep our parishes strong, continue to teach our faith, and reach out to those in need.

THE FUND

The Anglican Diocese of Toronto Foundation was incorporated as a public Foundation in 1999, to provide financial support for the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto, or any parish of the Diocese.

As of December 31, 2011 the Foundation retained assets of nearly \$7.2 million. In 2011 a total of \$310,329 was distributed in the Diocese of Toronto.

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YOUR HAND HAS FOUND.”**

SIRACH 35:10

**“LOVE ONE
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JOHN 15:12

In order to support the Diocese, the Foundation has established several endowment funds, whose income funds vary. These include:

The Anglican Diocese of Toronto Fund

This general fund provides income to support education and research; leadership development and support; building maintenance, restoration and re-fittings; and, ecumenical and inter-faith outreach.

Endowment to Fund the Office of the Bishop of Toronto

To support the general purposes and programmes of the Office of the Bishop of Toronto.

Endowment to Fund FaithWorks

To support the Annual Outreach Campaign of the Diocese of Toronto.

Anglican Community Development Fund

The income from the endowment fund will be forwarded each year undivided to a single parish or ministry to assist youth or families in need.