

# TRENT-DURHAM AREA COUNCIL GRANT APPLICATION INFORMATION

**To**: The Incumbents and Churchwardens of all Anglican Parishes in Trent-Durham **From**: Area Council

The Trent-Durham Area Council Grant Criteria:

- To support the mandate and purposes of the Anglican Church's mission and ministry in Trent-Durham Area;
- To enhance and develop parishes' mission and ministry, encouraging parish health, growth and evangelism;
- To provide financial support for the creation and continuation of ministry in a situation where sufficient financial resources are not available from the parish/congregation. A financial plan towards self sufficiency and showing intentional stewardship should be developed.
- Area Ministry Development Grants may be given to cover a 3 year period with decreasing amounts in the second and third year for programs if a case is made for ongoing funding to assist the start-up of a program. (NOTE: Application must be made each year and be accompanied by an evaluation of the ministry program for the preceding year.)

Parishes should consult their Regional Dean to seek advice before submitting their application.

## **PARISH PROCESS**

A completed application form must be submitted along with a budget and financial information from your parish to your Regional Dean and the Bishop's Office before the deadline for applications to be considered at the Area Council Meeting. Contact Information for your Regional Dean can be found on the Diocesan Website: <a href="Episcopal Areas - Trent-Durham">Episcopal Areas - Trent-Durham</a>

Please ensure a thorough completion of all questions. The application must be completed in consultation with the Incumbent, Churchwardens, and other members of the parish (i.e., Advisory Board, Parish Executive) related to the program or project for which you are applying.

## **Area Council Process**

Each application will be reviewed by the Bishop, the Area Council Finance Committee, and assigned a member of Area Council, who will assess applications and approve grants that fit the criteria. The application along with the review panel's recommendations will be presented to the Area Council for consideration.

After the meeting, a letter indicating the Council's decision and, if successful, the grant amount awarded will be forwarded to you by email. If a grant is given, an Area Council member will be assigned to your project/program and will follow up periodically to receive a report of your progress with your project/program and report back to the Council.

In assessing the applications, the following criteria will be used:

- Does the program/project/plan reflect a desirable mission for the Church?
- Is the program/project based on realistic assumptions?
- Does the program/project have real opportunity and potential for evangelism and growth?
- Are the financial resources specified in the budget, adequate to achieve the program/project?
- Does the program/project include a strategy to develop self-sufficiency?

### **Deadlines**

Grant Applications may be submitted to the Area Office at any time, but they will only be reviewed by Area Council in June, September, and November.

### **Deadlines**

For June Meeting: May 1
For September Meeting: August 1
For November Meeting: October 1

If you have any questions, please contact the Area Bishop's office at: 905-668-1558 or by email at: jkean@toronto.anglican.ca