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MISSION PARTNERSHIP FUNDING REVIEW

Mission Funding through the Synod is the **MAIN SOURCE** of income for the Operating Budget. Not all Nevada Presbytery churches participate.

The main source of funding for the Administrative Budget is the Per Capita Apportionment.

MISSION PARTNERSHIP FUNDING with the SYNOD➤ **SYNOD MISSION PARTNERSHIP FUNDING CONSULTATION (11 Presbyteries)**

The Mission Partnership Funding (MPF) consultation is held annually in the Spring to review the amounts and determine the grants. The Chair of the Trustees and the Director of Finance participate in the consultation.

➤ **THE GRANTS CALCULATION for NEVADA (A result of the Consultation)**

* Nevada's Pledge for 2023	\$40,000
<u>Less: Contribution to the Partnership Pool (5%)</u>	<u>2,000</u>
Nevada's Revenue Share (95%)	\$38,000
** Nevada's Share of the Partnership Pool (Grant)	44,709
<u>TOTAL for Nevada's 2023 Operating Budget</u>	<u>\$82,709</u>

During one of the Consultation meetings, the larger Presbyteries expressed support for the connectional nature of the PCUSA and are happy to support the smaller Presbyteries with the current grants' formula.

*** All 11 Presbyteries receive the same amount from the Partnership Pool!*

➤ **SOURCES OF THE FUNDS**

* The Presbyteries submit an annual budget of what the anticipated mission giving from the member churches will be. **The annual pledge from Nevada was \$40,000.**

Nevada provides \$2,000 (5% of the Pledge) to the Partnership Pool and receives a grant from the pool. The Partnership Pool includes Net Revenue from Synod Operations with adjustments for personnel and a contribution to the Emerging Needs Fund and The Opportunity Fund. See the Synod website to find applications for obtaining grants from these funds.

** The Grant for 2023 is \$44,709 and for **2024** is \$46,066. Nevada's budgets are \$82,709 & **\$84,066** respectively.

When the Partnership Pool grows larger, the Grants increase.

The Pledge is the amount given to the Presbytery/Synod, line 3 on the remittance/pledge form. The pledge does not include any amounts paid to the GA or other missions.

➤ **IS NEVADA MEETING THE 2023 GOAL of \$40,000?**

Based on the giving through the Synod as of July 31, 2023:

Amount received by the Synod toward the \$40,000 pledge	\$24,428
<u>Amount of actual pledges anticipated to be received</u>	<u>11,546</u>
AMOUNT Anticipated to COLLECT	\$35,974
TOTAL PLEDGE	40,000
<u>PRESBYTERY IS REQUIRED TO PAY FOR A SHORT FALL</u>	<u>(\$4,026)</u>

The Presbytery has not FAILED to meet the PLEDGE since the SMP dissolution!

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➤ **IN REALITY**

- ✓ Remember, this is the funding that goes to the Operating Fund Committees, including Equipping, Mission Outreach, Peace & Justice and Operating-Trustees.
- ✓ Presbyteries and churches benefit from the grants by being a member of a
- ✓ connectional organization. Examples are the Synod Partnership Grants and grants provided by the Emerging Need Fund and the Opportunity Fund.
- ✓ Not all Nevada churches participate in the Synod Partnership Funding.

➤ **SHOULD THE SYNOD RECEIVE MORE THAN THE PLEDGED \$40,000 FROM NEVADA'S CHURCHES, THE DIFFERENCE IS PAID TO THE PRESBYTERY**

➤ **THE CONSULTATION REVIEWS AND ACTS UPON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS**

- ✓ DETERMINES MISSION PARTNERSHIP INCOME which is called BASIC MISSION SUPPORT (BMS)
- ✓ REVENUE SHARE
- ✓ THE PARTNERSHIP POOL
- ✓ PARTNERSHIP GRANTS
- ✓ DISTRIBUTION TO EACH PRESBYTERY
- ✓ RECEIVES REPORTS ON GRANTS MADE BY THE EMERGING NEED FUND AND THE OPPORTUNITY FUND

FROM THE SYNOD WEBSITE

EMERGING NEED GRANT

- ✓ Emerging Need Grants are given to an applicant that has an emerging (suddenly arising) project which has not been included in their member presbyteries or Synod's current year's fiscal budget. The applicant/project must meet the following criteria:
 - Without the funds, the emerging mission would fail or be severely jeopardized by delay.
 - There are no other sources reasonably available for funding.
 - The emerging mission objective can be accomplished with the requested funds.
 - The Emerging Need Grant has never been used to fund the mission or project.

OPPORTUNITY GRANT

- ✓ The Opportunity Fund was established by the Mission Partnership in order for separate entities to come together for a specific project/mission. Entities could be two churches, a church and a presbytery, a presbytery and Synod, or any combination as long as one entity is Presbyterian, and the proposed project benefits more than one group or organization.
- ✓ The Project/Mission, which must be "a new and creative endeavor that serves the purpose of the church," might include:
 - A joint mission trip
 - A conference or workshop
 - Seed money for a joint facility
 - Or another kind of program/project within the mission guidelines
- ✓ Restrictions for the type of projects are few because opportunities come in a myriad of ways. The recipient of a Synod Opportunity Grant could be eligible to apply for a second-year grant, continuing to further their ministry or project.