

**How to support the ongoing work of HOPE Council**

You can help congregations develop new ways of doing ministry.

There are a number of ways to support us!

**Direct Giving:** you can send your gift directly to us by cheque or e-transfer.

**Bequests:** Making a gift in your will.

**Life Insurance:** For a small outlay of cash, a gift of life insurance can become a significant future gift for HOPE Council without reducing the size of your estate.

**TFSA's**

**RRSP's, RRIF's:**

Tax Benefit to Your Estate.

**Publicly traded Securities (Stocks) and Bonds:** Tax Benefits for You

*Thank you for considering us !*

Hope Council is a Registered Charity.  
CRA Registration #: 89105 4041RR0001  
Donations are eligible to receive an "Official Tax Receipt **For complete details on how to donate, contact our treasurer who will send you information!**

If your congregation is disbanding we ask that your Trustees consider HOPE Council as an organization in which they can invest for the ongoing growth of congregations in our Region. We would be pleased to have the opportunity to share with you ways your financial gift can help others.

**Is the Holy Spirit directing you to begin a new ministry in your congregation or in your community? Let us help you to get it started!**

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**HOPE COUNCIL**

An Incorporated Ministry in Antler River  
Watershed Region – The United Church of Canada

**Helping congregations to dream of new ways to do ministry.  
Helping students in need who are going into ministry.**

Grants may be awarded to United Church of Canada (UCC) communities of faith wishing to establish a new ministry, following an application process. This also applies to organizations working together with a UCC community of faith.

## Who we are:

Hope Council is an incorporated ministry within the boundaries of the Antler River Watershed Region (ARWR) of the United Church of Canada (UCC). The Council is comprised of: full Members, who must be members of the UCC and will have voting privileges; and Associate Members who demonstrate interest in furthering the work of Hope Council. All members must reside in ARWR.

## Our Purpose is:

1) to provide support for church initiatives through various grants including

**Creative Ministries:** to provide seed money for communities of faith to explore the viability of new initiatives

**New Ministry Rooting:** Successful creative ministries may apply and be considered for 'Rooting' funds to help their new ministry continue

**Regional Project Grants:** to provide start-up funding for region-wide projects

Once your application has been received for one of the above grants, you will be assigned a Liaison from the Council to

expedite the application process.

### 2) to provide financial support for Ministry training and supervision

Note: Grants are available only to Communities of Faith (or supported organizations) within ARWR area or UCC student candidates living in ARWR area.

For more information about funding possibilities or to express interest in becoming a member of the HOPE Council, send an email to [president@uchopecouncil.ca](mailto:president@uchopecouncil.ca)

Application forms are available on our website at [www.uchopecouncil.ca](http://www.uchopecouncil.ca)

Please note the firm deadlines for submission of applications.

We look forward to working with you as you engage in this exciting time of mission and ministry!



## Grant Applications

Application received late will be considered at the next Council

Apply by end of the month	Application considered at following Council meeting
January	February
March	April
May	June
August	September
October	November

“Most people think of “vision” as the ability to see the future. But in today’s rapidly changing world, vision is also the ability to accurately assess current changes and take advantage of them. Vision is being alert to opportunities.”

– Rick Warren, The Purpose Driven Church: Growth Without Compromising Your Message and Mission