

Settlement Funds Procedures

The Settlement task force has been tasked with developing disbursement procedures for General Council approval. The task force agreed to recommend the disbursement of grants to the members of the following Partners, Committees and Regions through the procedures set forth for approval:

1. For Immediate Disbursement to Partner Agencies:

- a. Upon approval of the following procedures by General Council, funds received from FPCSA would be disbursed at the Presbytery Meeting in March, 2017.
- b. A copy of the minutes approving grants by General Council and a letter from authorized signatories will be sent to the Texas Presbyterian Foundation for funding prior to the Presbytery Meeting.
- c. A letter from the chair of General Council will be sent to the “partner agencies” informing them of the funds granted to their organization from Mission Presbytery. A request will be made to provide a one paragraph statement as to how the funds will be used. The statement will be shared with Presbytery, March 2017. See Appendix I.

The following grants will be disbursed at the Presbytery meeting March, 2017

<i>General Assembly – Unrestricted</i>	<i>\$ 30,000.00</i>
<i>Synod of the Sun – Unrestricted</i>	<i>\$ 30,000.00</i>
<i>Austin College – Campus Ministry</i>	<i>\$ 24,000.00</i>
<i>Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary – Unrestricted</i>	<i>\$ 24,000.00</i>
<i>Mo Ranch Camp and Conference Center – Unrestricted</i>	<i>\$ 24,000.00</i>
<i>Pan American School – Campus Ministry</i>	<i>\$ 24,000.00</i>
<i>Presbyterian Children’s Homes and Services – Unrestricted</i>	<i>\$ 24,000.00</i>
<i>Schreiner University – Campus Ministry</i>	<i>\$ 24,000.00</i>
<i>Trinity University – Campus Ministry</i>	<i>\$ 24,000.00</i>

2. Presbytery Committees and Region Procedures:

Funds for the Presbytery Committees and Regions will remain at the Texas Presbyterian Foundation until they are needed. Any interest gained will remain in the account for the general use of the presbytery. The Committees and Regions will each be given a lump sum they may spend but their grants do not include any earned interest.

- a. Approved funds are transferred from the Texas Presbyterian Foundation to the operating account as requested by Committee and Region from the book keeper/accountant.
- b. Committees and Region chairs will request funds from the “Better Together Fund” by submitting to the Presbytery the attached Request Form along with a copy of the committee’s minutes reflecting a majority vote in favor of the release of funds. See Appendix II
- c. The book keeper/accountant will keep a line item balance for each committee and region. Check requests require 30 days’ notice to accounting for payment. -
- d. At the end of the year any remaining balance in the committee and region accounts will roll over to the next year
- e. Interest earned by all funds held at Texas Presbyterian Foundation will remain in the “Better Together Fund” for future use.

Approved funds for committees and regions are as follows:

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In the Reformed Tradition, together we:***

Establish and equip congregations and sessions to carry out their missions:

Church Development and Evangelism	\$119,000
General Council	\$1,200
Each Geographic Region - \$2,000	\$12,000
(Austin, Corpus Christi, Hill Country, San Antonio, Valley, and Victoria)	
Nominations Committee	\$1,200
Personnel Committee	\$1,200
Technology Task Force	\$48,000

Recruit, receive, ordain, develop and care for those called to serve in the church:

Committee on Ministry	\$12,000
Committee on Preparation for Ministry	\$12,000
Committee on Representation	\$1,200
Education and Congregational Nurture Committee	\$30,000
Pastoral Care Committee	\$12,000

Enable mission and witness to the Gospel that congregations cannot accomplish alone:

John Knox Ranch	\$36,000
Mission Outreach and Justice Committee	\$36,000
Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team	\$12,000
Youth Connections Committee	\$12,000

Steward our resources faithfully and generously:

Fiscal Oversight Committee	\$1,200
HM King Memorial Fund Trustees	\$1,200
Stewardship Committee	\$1,200
Trustees	\$1,200

3. Better Together Fund: \$606,598

The Settlement Task Force recommends the remaining balance of Mission Presbytery funds derived from the Settlement with FPCSA remain invested with Texas Presbyterian Foundation ~~account~~ and named the "Better Together Fund." This is a designated fund established for the purpose of ~~or~~ furthering the mission of Mission Presbytery and to be overseen and approved by General Council.

Further, Presbytery Committees, groups and congregations requesting funding from the "Better Together" fund would be encouraged to collaborate.

- a. Requests for funds may come from any group within the Presbytery's bounds but must come through a Presbytery Committee first and receive endorsement. Secondly, it will be reviewed by the Presbytery's Leadership Team. The Leadership Team shall consist of the following members: *The General Council Chair, present moderator, moderator-elect, General Presbyter and Stated Clerk.*
- b. If the Leadership Team affirms the requested grant, it will invite the submitting Committee Chair to share the proposal with the General Council for its approval.
- c. The affirmative or negative vote by General Council will be shared with the group/congregation(s) who submitted the proposal by the same Committee Chair. ,

- d. The attached form is an application to receive funds from the “Better Together Fund.” See Appendix III
- e. Upon approval of the grant, the funds will be made available to the group through its endorsing Committee and the same procedures for requesting payments shall be used.

4. A Final Note

For the sake of clarity and transparency, the total settlement agreement amount was \$1,525,000. \$114,802 was paid to cover legal expenses. The Presbytery agreed to First Presbyterian Church of San Antonio’s request to make a grant \$125,000 to John Knox Ranch, which was matched by FPC San Antonio with additional funds. General Council also voted to use \$100,000 for 2016 operating expenses. These expenditures left a balance of \$1,185,198. The grants listed above fully allocate this remaining balance to mission partners, our committees and the Better Together fund.

Settlement Task Force Recommendation to General Council		
Settlement Task Force Income and Early Allocations		Amounts
Settlement Agreement with First San Antonio		\$ 1,525,000.00
less legal fees related to Settlement		\$ (114,802.00)
less transfer to John Knox Ranch		\$ (125,000.00)
less transfer to Operating Fund		\$ (100,000.00)
Balance of funds to be allocated		\$ 1,185,198.00
Settlement Task Force Recommended Allocations		Amounts
<i>"We are Mission Presbytery, serving Christ in the world. In the Reformed Tradition, together we ...</i>		
<i>Establish and equip congregations and sessions to carry out their missions:</i>		
Church Development and Evangelism		\$ 119,000.00
General Council		\$ 1,200.00
Austin Cluster		\$ 2,000.00
Corpus Christi Cluster		\$ 2,000.00
Hill Country Cluster		\$ 2,000.00
San Antonio Cluster		\$ 2,000.00
Valley Cluster		\$ 2,000.00
Victoria Cluster		\$ 2,000.00
Better Together Fund		\$ 606,598.00
Nominations Committee		\$ 1,200.00
Personnel Committee		\$ 1,200.00
Technology Task Force		\$ 48,000.00
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Total		\$ 1,185,198.00