

WAYS CONGREGATIONS CAN PLEDGE SUPPORT FOR EPISCOPAL COMMUNITY SERVICES



ECS offer various methods congregations can consider funding their pledges to ECS. The most common method will be a pledge to be fulfilled directly from the parish's budget or reserves. However, for those congregations that want to involve members in various ways as part of this effort, the diocese offers the following four options:

1 OUTRIGHT PLEDGE FROM BUDGET

This method involves the Vestry signing a covenant to make a gift to support the creation of ECS either all at once or via a series of contributions over time. The covenant form spells out the total amount and frequency of the contributions which can be spread over two years.

2 PLEDGE MADE AND FUNDED THROUGH FUNDRAISING

Some parishes may choose to have the Vestry sign a covenant and then launch a special fundraising effort to fulfill most or all of the pledged commitment. Common methods include special events, major gift requests, mail or email appeals, and an in-pew request.

3 PLEDGE MADE AND FUNDED THROUGH MAJOR DONOR SUPPORT

In some cases, congregations may choose to approach select individuals for major gift support in place of a broad appeal. In these cases, a special proposal should be presented to each prospective donor that includes a specific request for support.

4 TITHE FROM A CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

For parishes already planning major fundraising efforts, the congregational tithe may be the most meaningful and appropriate way to proceed. This process involves completing a covenant to contribute a percentage (usually 10%) of the campaign's proceeds in support of this special ministry.

PLEDGE LEVELS

Congregation donors will be listed in Annual Impact Reports

Supporting Congregations
\$10,000 over three four years

Contributing Congregations
\$5,000 over three years

Companion Congregations
\$3000 over three years

Contact Information

Church: _____

Name: _____

Billing address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Payment Method

Enclosed, please find my check: # _____ (payable to: ECS-NJ)


Please charge my Mastercard Visa AMEX CC# _____ Exp. Date: _____

Security Code: _____

For more information, please contact Melanie McLaurin, Assistant Director of Communication and Development at mmclaurin@ecs-nj.org



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Supporting Congregation
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Contributing Congregation
\$5,000 over three years

Companion Congregation
Annual gift of any amount over three years

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Mail this form and payment to: *Episcopal Community Services of the Diocese of New Jersey, P.O. Box #7559, Ewing, NJ 08628. Learn more about ECS at: dioceseofnj.org/ECS/*