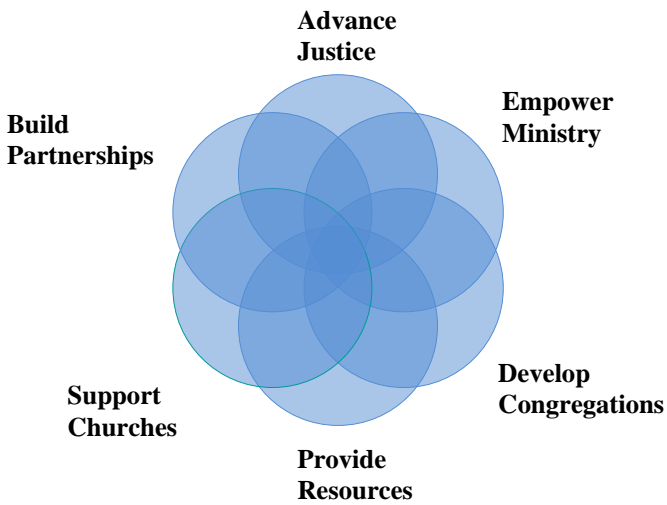


# Presbytery of Chicago

## 2011 NARRATIVE BUDGET



*A Beacon of Hope Guiding Leaders, Congregations and Communities*

## **Together We Can Do More!**

The Presbytery of Chicago has three mission priorities, serving over 100 diverse, dynamic worshipping communities, with nearly 40,000 members. In our shared mission, we partner with our congregations to *Advance Justice, Empower Ministry* and *Develop Congregations*. Our ministry includes many resources which support the work of local churches. As a connectional church, we assist our churches in times of challenge and transition, and partner with the broader church in the larger mission of sharing the gospel. In other words, we work to *Provide Resources, Support Churches* and *Build Partnerships*. Our 2011 narrative budget is dispersed into these six categories in order to support mission and ministry.

**ADVANCE JUSTICE = \$159,500 or 7%**

Jesus said, *When you have done this to the least of these my brothers and sisters, you have done it to me.* (Matt. 25:40)

In 2011, over \$40,000 is designated to support mission covenants in partnership with our local congregations. The End Hunger and Homelessness Mission Team addresses the root causes of hunger, homelessness and poverty. There are partnerships with agencies such as Congregations in Solidarity in Latin America to empower marginalized people. The Cuba Partnership and the Committee on Women in the Church are also supported by this Mission Priority Leadership Team. These are samples of how mission covenant dollars are spent. Behind the scenes staff members and volunteers support this work.

## **EMPOWER MINISTRY = \$230,200 or 10%**

*Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “here am I; send me!” (Isaiah 6:8)*

In 2011, \$94,150 is designated for covenant grants that provide youth life-changing opportunities for spiritual growth and leadership development through annual retreats and mission events. Training events such as *LEAD* and “Worship Alive” are funded through this Mission Priority Leadership Team (MPLT), as is the annual Clergy Retreat and the Southside Christian Education training event. The Multicultural Ministry Mission Team also receives funds through this MPLT.

## **DEVELOP CONGREGATIONS = \$164,700 or 7%**

*So the churches were strengthened in the faith and increased in numbers daily. (Acts 16:5)*

In 2011 \$40,000 is designated to support mission covenants to develop congregations. The South Asian Fellowship is one new church development sponsored by our Presbytery. Twenty-one congregations are in the Acts 16:5 Initiative, a resource to support congregational transformation. Proactive Transformation is a new project for this mission team that will be enhanced by a General Assembly Grant for Transformation. Mission Insite, a demographic tool, is a resource that the team has enrolled in for every church in the Presbytery.

Some mission priorities converge in a multi-team covenant, such as the African American Congregational Transformation, Multicultural Ministry and campus ministry. The Cuba and Dakota Partnerships are also funded by all three Mission Teams.

## **PROVIDE RESOURCES = \$635,700 or 29%**

*The gifts [Jesus] gave were...to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ... (Ephesians 4:11-12)*

The Presbytery provides specialized staff and many other resources to support the work of local churches. The Resource Center provides books, DVDs, and curriculum to aid in Bible study, officer training, worship planning and more. Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, MI offers an inspiring outdoor experience for faith renewal and spiritual growth. The Presbytery website, *Our Common Ministry*, *Presbytery Preview*, various publications, broadcast ministries and use of other technology keep us informed of the fullness of our life and mission.

## **SUPPORT CHURCHES = \$292,800 or 13%**

*We, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members of one another. (Romans 12:5)*

The Presbyterian Church (USA) is a connectional church. We are relational in our mission and ministry. The Presbytery of Chicago works with congregations when calling and installing new ministers, and in preparing individuals called to pastoral ministry. We also support churches and leaders in transition when situations arise that need extra care from the Committee on Ministry, or when questions come up regarding church governance, legal matters, or financial affairs. The Presbytery's experts partner with congregations through these challenging times. We affirm diversity in leadership, and we call on the Representation and Nominating Committees to ensure this.

## **BUILD PARTNERSHIPS = \$743,800 or 33%**

*...this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. (2 Cor.9:12)*

Presbyterians do mission and ministry in partnership. We are

committed to ecumenical and inter-religious partnerships as well as connecting with the broader Presbyterian Church. In addition to supporting the mission of local congregations, we work side-by-side with the Synod of Lincoln Trails and General Assembly to share the gospel message nationally and globally with both Per Capita and Shared Mission Giving dollars. About 80% of our PC(USA) mission workers are involved in Medicine, Education and Evangelism. We have partner missions in over 100 countries, with mission workers in 53 of those. It takes the whole church to reach the whole world!

***The Mission and Ministry of our Presbytery is financially supported by a variety of sources.***

Sixteen percent of the funding for our budget comes from our ***Investment Revenue, Mission Development Grants*** from General Assembly and Synod of Lincoln Trails and other miscellaneous resources.

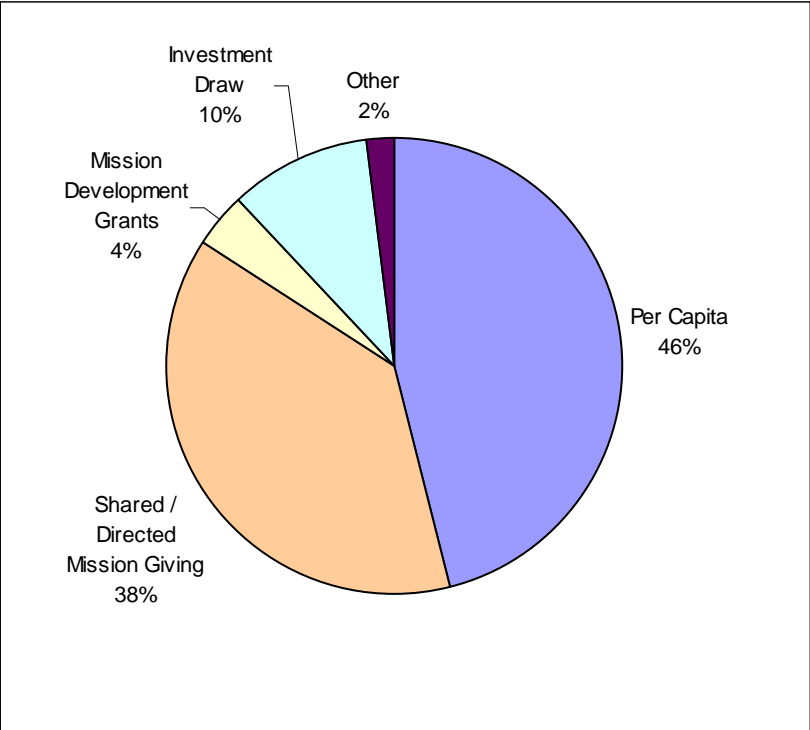
The other 84% comes from our local congregations through ***Per Capita*** and ***Shared Mission Giving***. ***Per Capita*** is a way Presbyterians share equally in funding the shared governing responsibilities of the presbytery, Synod of Lincoln Trails and General Assembly. The 2011 per capita contribution has been set at \$30.31. Per capita generates 46% of our revenue.

### ***Shared Mission Giving***

This is our critical path for all churches and leaders to support the work of our presbytery to *advance justice, develop congregations, empower ministry, provide resources, support churches and build partnerships*. Shared Mission Giving provides 38% of giving. Each fall we ask church Sessions to partner with us by making a pledge to the presbytery. In February we dedicate these pledges at the assembly. **Giving to Shared Mission means supporting both the mission and ministry of the Presbytery of Chicago. Together we do more!**

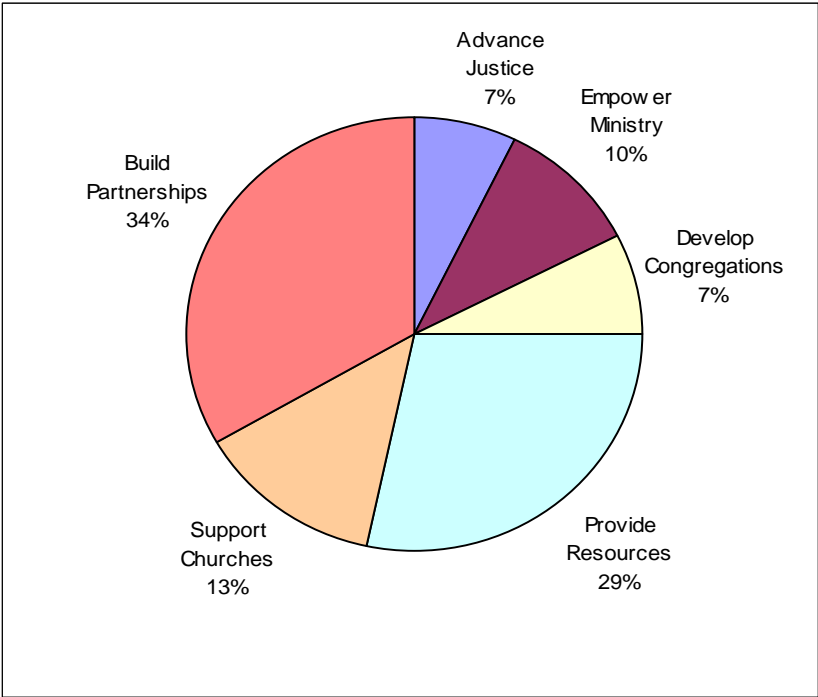
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Revenue	\$	%
Per Capita	1,024,200	46%
Shared Mission Giving	851,000	38%
Mission Development Grants	87,000	4%
Investment Draw	220,300	10%
Other	44,200	2%
	2,226,700	100%



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Advance Justice	159,500	7%
Empower Ministry	230,200	10%
Develop Congregations	164,700	7%
Provide Resources	635,700	29%
Support Churches	292,800	13%
Build Partnerships	743,800	33%
	<b>2,226,700</b>	<b>100%</b>





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