

August 2022 budget update and potential savings for redeployment

We vote on a budget at a moment in time, despite uncertainties that lie ahead. Then reality follows. Here is a summary of the context of the budget and the impact of subsequent actions.

Summary of pledging and donations

Pledging and operating donations peaked in 2018-2019 when we received \$290,255 from 196 donors. In 2021-2022 we received \$221,672 from 132 donors, a decline of \$68,583 and a third of our donors.

Summary of 2022-2023 Budget

See Treasurer's Report and budget in AGM package <https://uuwinnipeg.mb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/FUUCW-2022-AGM-Packet.pdf>

Restoring an Administrator, Music Director, and RE support and adding Zoom and A/V tech support plus a pledging shortfall → \$68,793 deficit for 2022-2023, which is unsustainable, i.e., not repeatable.

How has this picture changed since the AGM?

1. We budgeted \$38,000 for an Administrator, including bookkeeping.
However, most functions are covered by volunteers. Anne – bookkeeping; Larry – general admin, membership and donations, Breeze church management rollout; Debby Lake – office reception and redirection; Marjorie – Communicator; Lorie – All-Church Email. **We still need a volunteer to send zoom links** and a further review to identify any remaining gaps.
Potential savings up to **\$38,000**.
2. Savings from Rev. Meghann's resignation
8 months' salary, CPP, EI, Workers Comp, health benefits less vacation pay payout - ~\$60,000
11 months Professional Development and Pension - ~\$15,000.
Net savings - **\$75,000**
3. Savings from Admin volunteers plus Rev. Meghann's resignation before additional outlays. \$38,000 + \$75,000 = **\$113,000 savings**.
Less budget deficit of \$68,793 → **\$44,207 surplus**.

How shall we deploy savings or surplus?

- Rev. Ren's contract: \$500/week X 13 weeks = \$6,500.
- Substitute bookkeeper for February/March
- Other admin?
- Other ministry?