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**An active and productive year.**

In 2014 the Foundation enjoyed an active and productive year providing financial service to members, donors and United Church organizations from across Canada. We are grateful to all who have played a part in the work of the Foundation.

## **Assets under management**

As of December 31st, 2014 the Foundation held \$54,142,472 in assets within 461 trusts and endowments, an increase of \$3,028,123 over 2013.

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Increase of Assets under Management

**12.7%**  
**Total income increase over 2013**

**Income** Total income in 2014 was \$5,472,778 which is an increase of 12.7% over 2013. This was made up of \$4,185,157 in donations and \$1,287,621 in investment income. As a result of this income and net of grants, \$1,905,722 was added to long term funds in 2014, both new and existing.

## Mark 4:30-32

Again he said, "What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants with such big branches that birds can perch in its shade" NIV

**\$4,638,861**  
Total Grants

**26.4%**  
Increase from 2013

**Grants** Total grants made in 2014 were \$4,638,681 including the return of funds unspent on the operations of the Foundation in 2013 totalling \$352,000. This is an increase of 26.4% from grants in 2013. These grants include the following:

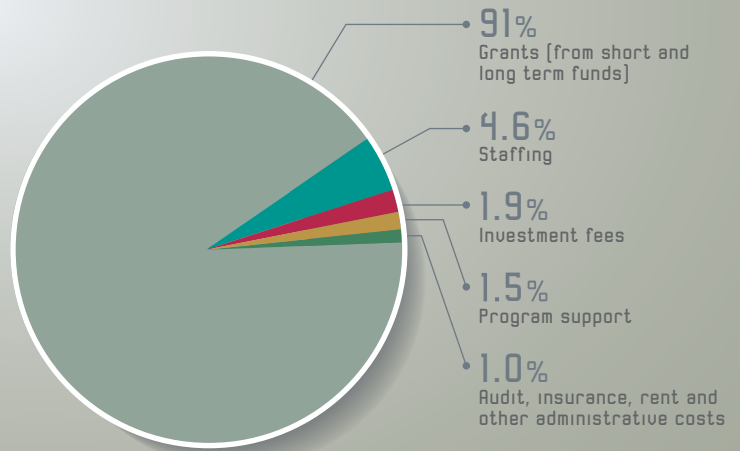
- \$2,264,246 from short term funds with the proceeds designated to congregations, Church related organizations and other registered charities.
- Total grants to the General Council's programs and funds of \$1.8 million included:
  - Over \$1 million for Mission & Service
  - Nearly \$620,000 for Church programs and funds
  - More than \$56,000 for work overseas
- The Joint Grants Committee of The United Church of Canada and The United Church of Canada Foundation reviewed over 100 applications and awarded \$866,041 to 73 programs and scholarships. The programs these grants support represent a tremendous amount of energy in our community for living out God's mission, examining new ways to invite more people into our church and to seek alternative ways of providing service. The Joint Grants Committee and board applaud all our applicants and wish we had more resources to grant.

## Direct Investment Affinity Program

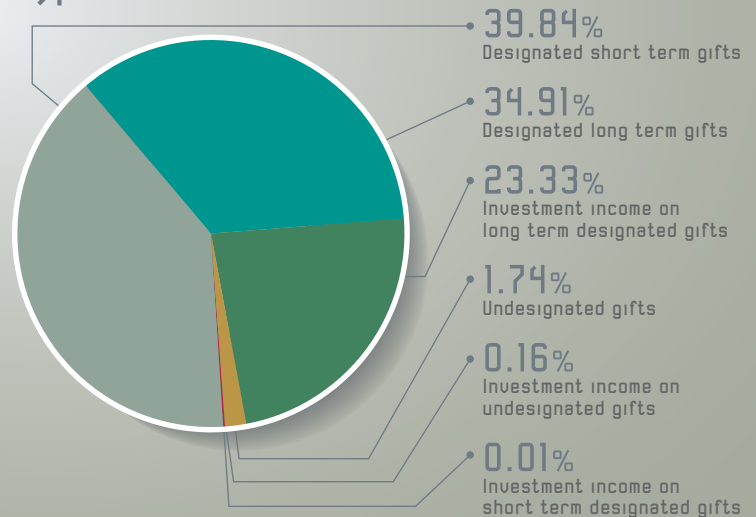
Again in 2014 the Foundation made available a direct investment affinity program for congregations, presbyteries, Conferences, educational institutions and related church organizations. The program offers many benefits including reduced management fees. As of December 31, 2014 UCC related direct investors had placed a total of \$33.6M with Fiera Capital, our investment manager, which was an increase of 56% from the \$21.5M placed with Fiera by UCC related direct investors in 2013.

We look forward to continuing to provide a high level of service to our investors, congregations and church members. Thank you for all you do to help fulfil the work of the church.

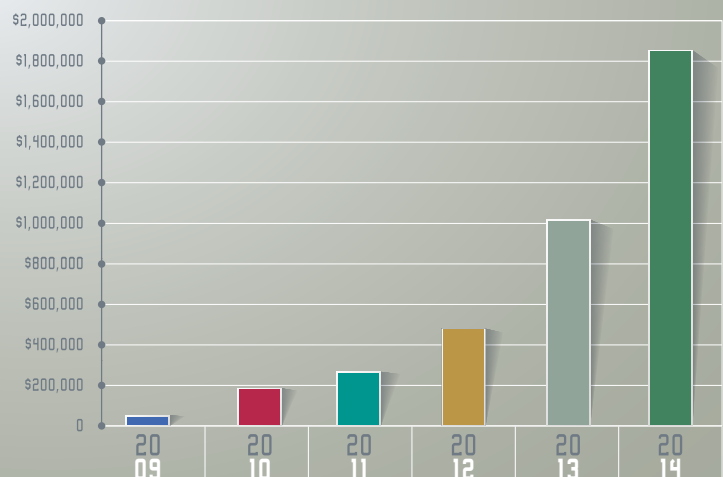
## Expenditures



## Types of Revenue



## Grants to the programs and work of the General Council Office



The generosity of the members of the United Church is humbling and such a blessing to so many people and ministries across our country.

In 2014, thanks to the gifts of the people of the United Church, the Foundation made grants of over \$4.6M.

These grants supported the Mission & Service of the church, individual congregations, community ministries, chaplaincies, education centres and so much more.

Thank you for all you do to live out God's mission in our world.

**1** In 2014 donors to the Foundation helped fund Wesley Urban Ministries (Hamilton, Ont.) Volunteer Training Video and Workshop Resource project.

Wesley created a volunteer training video that helps equip volunteers with knowledge on best practices for interacting with vulnerable individuals. A link to the video can be found at [wesley.ca/volunteer/](http://wesley.ca/volunteer/) This video can be of assistance to congregations and other United Church ministries in their outreach work.

**2** In 2014 donors to the Foundation also helped Yoga Chapel (Vancouver, BC) produce and make available online videos of Yoga Chapel classes and design and program a new website that is able to host the online videos.

This provides wide access to people searching for a unique way to interact with their faith and explore their spirituality. Visit [yogachapel.com](http://yogachapel.com) to see and experience the videos for yourself!

These two examples are only a fraction of the truly good work that people just like you are helping to accomplish year after year. Please visit [www.unitedchurchfoundation.ca](http://www.unitedchurchfoundation.ca) for more information on grants and ways you too can support work like this.

**The Foundation** provides service and support to all courts of the church and United Church related institutions and organizations. The Foundation facilitates gifts of stocks, mutual funds, etc., provides grants for innovative and unique programs and projects run by United Church related organizations and facilitates the long term support of all courts of the church and their mission and service.



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