

## **Hunter United Church Building Fund**

The Trustees of the Hunter United Church Building Fund completed another busy, but very satisfying year. We were able to financially assist many Nova Scotia United Churches as they dealt with building repair emergencies or made necessary renovations to their church buildings to meet new challenges in their respective ministries.

The Trustees continued to meet in May, October, and December. We accepted the resignations of Mrs. Harriett McWhirter; and the Rev'd Blake Caldwell, our long-time secretary; and thanked them for their service. We welcomed the Rev'ds Helene Burns, Kevin Cox, Derek Ellsworth, and Angela MacLean as the newest members of the Board. Nineteen grants were approved during the year totalling \$294,915.00 (two hundred ninety-four thousand, nine hundred and fifteen dollars.)

We received grant applications after they were reviewed by Region 15's Property Committee. A special word of appreciation to Mr. Ron Patterson, Chair of Region 15 Property Committee, for his close liaison with our Secretary.

Application forms for Hunter Grants can be obtained by going to the Region 15 Webb Page (applications). The Property Committee, (a sub-committee of the Finance Committee) receives and reviews all applications before they are forwarded to the Secretary of the Hunter Fund.

Applications, both Regular and Special, will continue to be received and considered for the year 2020. We recognize the many challenges that congregations are facing in these unprecedented times. Please note that the funds for our grants come from investments which presently are volatile because of the instability of the markets that have been affected by COVID-19.

An audited Financial Statement for 2019 will be forwarded to the office of Region 15 when it has been completed by our Chartered Accountant.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Trent Cleveland-Thompson, Secretary

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