

## A MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP

Welcome to the 2011 online edition of the William Cooper Procter Fund Report. By providing you with a complete list of funded projects, we hope that you come away from the report with a clear picture of how I allocated Procter Fund dollars this year.

As you know, we have experienced an exciting and challenging year of planning and deliberations regarding our mission priorities as a diocese. My goal is to align Procter funding with the five mission priorities that have emerged: (1) supporting healthy congregations; (2) engaging new audiences; (3) formation; (4) mission; (5) stewardship of resources.

These five priorities are very much in sync with the vision incorporated in the four founding criteria of the Procter Fund. These are the four criteria I must work within to fulfill the intent of this endowment: (1) Giving relief to those in trouble and need, especially where there would be an opportunity for restoring physical, mental or spiritual well being. (2) Building up of the quality of the clergy in the Diocese by perpetuation of the plans for grants to supplement salaries in churches where there is real promise for the future." (3) The development of a more widespread sense of responsibility in the parishes and missions of the Diocese for the support of the missionary work of the Church. Grants should be made on the same such basis as was used in connection with the refinancing fund given by Mr. Procter in 1933: aid is given to certain churches in time of emergency in return for an agreement pledging those churches to adequate support of the Church's program. (4) "The use of grants to take advantage of unusual opportunities for advance work in the Church's as distinct from the regular running expenses covered by the budget. The responsibility for the maintenance of the regular work must be borne by the rank and file of its membership, but opportunity should be offered to support any experiments which would afford a chance to take a step forward. The essential unity of the Church's work requires that there should be no geographical limitations upon these grants so long as the purposes of the fund, as described above, are expressed in the use of this income. Part of the annual income from this fund shall be used for the work of the Church outside of the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

Certainly many of the activities that will be included under "Engaging New Audiences," "Formation," "Mission," and "Resource Capabilities" will fit Criterion IV as "...grants to take advantage of unusual opportunities for advance work in the church's program." Meanwhile, initiatives to support "Advocacy" and "Supporting Healthy Congregations" can easily find a home within Criteria I and III. Over all, the vision of the Procter Fund calls for the funding of new and innovative ministries across all of mission priorities.

I would like to call your attention to several Procter Fund projects that embody the vision of the Procter Fund and the new priorities of the Diocese. An example of an initiative designed to engage new audiences is "Fresh Expressions." This Procter-funded ministry seeks to create new forms of church in a rapidly changing society where many people fail to relate to the traditional parish model.

Under the aegis of mission, Gabriel's Place in Avondale serves as a model for innovative collaboration by diverse groups dedicated to serving an inner-city neighborhood. This project recently won an award from the Community Development Association of Cincinnati based on its grassroots approach to community collaboration to make medical, educational, nutritional and legal services available to the local population.

As we work together as a diocese to live up to our mission priorities, I am thankful that we have a Procter Fund that is available to support initiatives to fulfill the five mission priority areas. It will be a valuable resource as we move ahead to do the "advance work" of the Church.

Faithfully,

+Thomas E. Breidenthal

**Criterion I****"giving of relief to those in need"**

Youth		75,000
Episc. Appal. Ministry		8,500
WCP Staff Consultants		55,000
WCP Admin Secretary		10,000
WCP Investment Consultants		50,700
WCP expenses		3,000
<i>Total</i>		<b>202,200</b>

**Criterion II****"Building the quality of the clergy in the Diocese...."**

Residency Program		276,200
Chaplainfor Residents	Residents	10,000
Chaplainfor Residents	Clergy	5,000
Retired Clergy Medical		223,200
Clergy/Spouse Conference		5,000
Total		<b>519,400</b>

**Criterion III****Development of...parishes and missions in the Diocese....  
in return for support of the church's programs**

COCL		-	200,000
Clear Vision,interest			270,450
Emergent Ministries			75,000
Hispanic Ministry			10,000
StM – offset	7 of 10		25,000
Church Foundation			75,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>676,450</b>

**Criterion IV**

**"...for the advance work of the church's programs...  
Part for the work of the church outside the Diocese....**

Ohio Council of Churches	-	<b>15,574</b>
MARCC		<b>29,700</b>
<b>BREAD</b>		<b>10,000</b>
Avondale		<b>24,100</b>
Opportunity Grants		<b>76,000</b>
Good Earth Farm	*20,000	
Franklinton Bike works	` 6,400	
Interfaith Hospitality Network	` 15,000	
ECSF Vista workers	` 8,903	
Encountering Islam	` 2,500	
Institutional Associations		<b>25,000</b>
NAACP	` 2,000	
Bridges for a Just Community	*2,500	
Episcopal Network for Economic Justice	*1,000-	
Anglican Theological Review	*2,500	
Council of Christian Communion	*1,000	
Episcopal Retirement Homes	*5,000	
Center for Life Formation		<b>4,000</b>
Procter Camp&Conf.Center		<b>190,000</b>
National & World		<b>33,000</b>
Mission		
Companion Diocese	` 8,300	
Bishop of Ecuador	` 8,000	
Dohn Family	` 8,000	
<b>Total</b>		<b>407,374</b>
<b>ALLOCATION</b>	4.65%	<b>1,805,535</b>
<b>Total Budgeted</b>		<b>1,784,424</b>
<b>Undesignated</b>		<b>21,111</b>