

Congregational Foundation FY2021 Annual Report

The work of the Congregational Foundation (CF) can be best explained through its missions and vision statements.

Mission

The Congregational Foundation supports the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches, its ministries and programs, through a commitment to current donors and development of prospective donors.

Vision

To develop long term, sustainable sources of revenue which support the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches' ministries and programs.

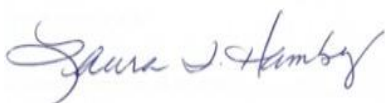
A significant action took place this year when the NACCC Board of Directors, after a three-year consolidation process, transferred all NACCC permanent endowments to the Congregational Foundation. This substantial change in our holdings increased our level of responsibility and prompted minor changes to in-house procedures. As intended, funds were made available to the ministries of the NACCC at levels comparable to previous years. In FY 2021, the Congregational Foundation distributed \$403,351 to the NACCC to further the work of the NACCC, and activities of the Ministry Councils, *The Congregationalist*, the Center for Congregational Leadership, the new website, and other worthy efforts.

We have several board changes as we approach the new year. Rick Bauzenburger, board member since 2015, is retiring from the CF. Rick has been the treasurer and valued member of the board. We thank Rick for his untiring dedication the work of the CF and wish him all the best in his future endeavors. We are pleased to welcome Sandy Leonard to the board. A lifelong Congregationalist, Sandy is a member of Riverpoint Congregational Church, West Warwick, RI, where she currently serves as a deacon and secretary / treasurer. Welcome Sandy!

We also thank Michael Chittum for his dedicated leadership as the Executive Director of the NACCC and CF. We join with all of you in wishing Michael and Vicki God speed as they begin their retirement! Our congratulations to CF President, Ashley Cleere, who will assume the position of Executive Director of the NACCC and CF, June 1, 2021. We look forward working with Ashley in her new leadership role. Congratulations Ashley!

Thanks are due to Oak Creek staff for their work on behalf of the foundation. Debby Fulton, Dan Drea, and Tracy Bernhardt, along with the Executive Director, attend board meetings and are instrumental to the work of the CF. We also congratulate them on all their work behind the scenes and successful launch of the [new website](#)! While you're there, visit the [CF page](#)!

We thank our donors for a longstanding tradition of generosity through your contributions! With abiding gratitude, we will honor the timeless wishes of donors whose passion and foresight result in tangible resources. Such faithful commitment, enhanced by the conscientious work of staff and leadership, will sustain the intangible richness of the Congregational Way.



Laura Hamby
President elect, Board of Governors
Congregational Foundation