

History of Church Extension Fund

The Church Extension Fund was created in 1921. It has been functioning ever since, providing loans to congregations and institutions of Lutheran Church – Canada for capital building purposes. CEF is a unique ministry program that offers Lutheran Church-Canada members the opportunity to invest money, earn interest and help build churches, schools and other facilities for ministry at the same time.



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Understanding Church Extension

What is CEF?

Church Extension Fund (CEF) is a unique ministry-through-investment organization of the Alberta-British Columbia District of Lutheran Church-Canada. Investors earn a fair rate of interest on their investments, and in turn, these dollars provide loans to Lutheran Church-Canada churches, schools and other ministry entities.



CEF Loans Support the Great Commission

Church Extension Fund understands the importance of furthering the Lord's work, and we strive to provide loans that best meet the needs of the borrowers. Personal, profes-

sional service is a priority at Church Extension. At the same time, we remain focused on mission and ministry. CEF supports the Great Commission, and we strive to fulfill our mission through a solid partnership of investors and borrowers.

CEF Loans Help Other Ministries

When you borrow from CEF, your loan is helping other churches and schools, too. As CEF loans are repaid, these funds become available for other congregations, schools, and other ministry entities to acquire loans for their future building projects.

CEF is Your Lending Partner

Church Extension Fund views its relationships with schools, congregations

and other entities as a partnership. The CEF staff understand the needs of the District organizations and help through the entire loan process.

From start to finish CEF is there to help you strengthen your ministry. Together we can help others tell the Good News about our Saviour Jesus Christ.

“What is more, he was chosen by the churches to accompany us as we carry the offering which we administer in order to honour the Lord Himself and to show our eagerness to help.”
2 Corinthians 8:19

The mission of Church Extension is to provide opportunity for making funds and services available in support of the Great Commission through Lutheran Church-Canada, the Alberta-British Columbia District.

Equally important are the principles of CEF which include:

- ◆ Church Extension is a ministry. Its ministry is not dollars, not size, not growth, but reaching more people with the Gospel.
- ◆ Church Extension helps congregations, Lutheran Schools and other ministry entities. It serves by helping to build centres for ministry, service and outreach.
- ◆ Church Extension provides investment opportunities for Lutheran Christians. Through God's grace, these investors make the work of CEF possible.
- ◆ Church Extension is a partnership between investors and congregations to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.
- ◆ Church Extension is managed prudently and built on solid financial principles. Church Extension actions are based on the question, “Will this further the Great Commission?”