
Let This Be a Sign Unto You - Guidelines

A Bishop of Ottawa once noticed, to his sorrow, that many of our churches had shabby signs, or signs with inaccurate service times, or no signs at all. Determined to help parish congregations reverse this trend, Synod began setting aside money each year for new sign projects, and invited all parishes to apply for a share when their finances for such projects are limited. Our use of appropriate, readable, and informative signs is an expression of the life of our Church.

The Diocesan Communications Officer is the administrator of this program and screens all grant requests. Grants for eligible projects will be provided on a first-come-first-serve basis until annual funds run out.

When is the deadline to apply?

All sign grant applications must be submitted to the Communications Officer before **November 1**.

Who may apply?

Any congregation or Diocesan Council committee.

What projects are eligible?

- New signage (including weather resistant banners) on, in, or near a church, at a road intersection, and/or in a tourist information centre
- Revised information added to an existing sign
- Accessibility and indoor direction signage
- Anglican Church of Canada standard church identifiers available from Augsburg Fortress at [Anglican Church Sign](#)
- A new committee, program, or parish logo

Note: Grants do not extend to sign maintenance

How much subsidy is available?

A grant of up to \$700 per congregation or committee will be available for projects specified in an application. There will be no more than one grant per congregation per calendar year.

What other conditions must be met?

- Outdoor signs must meet all applicable and municipal standards and sign by-laws. The congregation must do the research and ensure its plan is in compliance before submitting a grant application
- All applications must be submitted before the November 1 deadline