

6.3 HELP IN DIFFICULT SITUATIONS

1 PRINCIPLE

Ministers or ministerial candidates who find themselves in difficult financial situations or necessitous circumstances, and for whom no other help is available, can seek assistance from the Ministerial Support Fund.

2 PROCEDURE

- Initial enquiries can be made through the General Secretary, the Chairperson of the Pastoral Relations & Placements Commission, the Joint Associate General Secretaries (Pastoral) or the Chairperson of the Ministerial Benefits Committee.
- The General Secretary will then require a written application together with any supporting documentation.
- The Ministerial Support Fund Committee will convene and the General Secretary will advise the person seeking assistance of the outcome. Note assistance may be in the form of a grant, an interest free loan or help in accessing assistance from other sources.
- All applications will be treated with strict confidentiality.

3 REFERENCE

Uniting Church By-Law 7.5 Ministerial Support Fund.