

**New York Conference of the United Church of Christ
2027 Proposed Budget**

“like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither” (Ps 1:3)

“The purposes of the Conference will include but not be limited to: developing and maintaining cooperative relationships within the United Church of Christ in all its settings and with other denominations and ecumenical endeavors; nurturing a mission vision; encouraging and preserving shared relationships among the Associations, the local settings, and all the people within our churches; developing and nourishing our witness beyond local church and Association areas; giving support to local mission outreach; fostering our Diversity, Equity & Inclusion goals at all Conference levels, especially in seeking new church members or new member churches; and being supportive in sharing our beliefs, concerns, and joys. Further, we purpose to promote the interests and general welfare of the Associations, Congregations and Ministers of which the Conference is composed and, insofar as they are within the boundaries of the Conference, the interests and general welfare of the General Synod, the associated and affiliated ministries and the other bodies recognized in the Bylaws of the United Church of Christ.” - BY-LAWS OF THE NEW YORK CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Proposed 2027 Total Expenses \$1,070,860

Expenses	2025 Actual	2026 Budget	2027 Budget
Association Support	\$ 76,097	\$ 94,939	\$ 81,069
Clergy & Congregations	\$ 269,733	\$ 240,486	\$ 272,174
Justice & Witness	\$ 8,341	\$ 16,086	\$ 9,126
NY/HELP Honduras	\$ 17,375	\$ 23,050	\$ 23,225
NYSOM	\$ 62,513	\$ 73,087	\$ 77,455
Office & Outside Services	\$ 71,242	\$ 76,135	\$ 86,050
Search & Call	\$ 86,987	\$ 99,747	\$ 94,907
Staff Administrative	\$ 250,601	\$ 264,283	\$ 245,718
Wider Church	\$ 234,711	\$ 146,550	\$ 169,553
Youth Ministries	\$ 10,170	\$ 12,552	\$ 11,584
Facility Expenses	\$ 11,052	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ 1,098,821	\$ 1,046,915	\$ 1,070,860

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2027 Budgeted Income & Fund Usage

	2025 Actual	2026 Budget	2027 Budget
OCWM & Reformed Association Dues	\$ 495,296	\$ 550,000	\$ 500,000
Other Income	\$ 95,824	\$ 73,975	\$ 79,550
Conference's Share of Strengthen the Church	\$ 7,984	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,500
Friends of the Conference	\$ 31,168	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
General Synod	\$ 17,737	\$ -	\$ -
Legal Fee Assistance from Churches	\$ 4,542	\$ 5,200	\$ 4,500
Misc. Income	\$ 3,416	\$ 1,775	\$ 1,550
Per Capita	\$ 30,977	\$ 45,000	\$ 31,000
Together in Love			\$ 20,000
Program Income	\$ 110,908	\$ 105,975	\$ 98,660
Clergy & Congregations	\$ 21,235	\$ 21,320	\$ 17,660
Justice & Witness	\$ 160	\$ 120	\$ -
NY/HELP Honduras Income	\$ 21,238	\$ 15,035	\$ 15,000
NYSOM	\$ 46,435	\$ 48,500	\$ 45,000
Wider Church Income	\$ 21,840	\$ 21,000	\$ 21,000
Operating Income	\$ 702,027	\$ 729,950	\$ 678,210
Investment Income	\$ 71,995	\$ -	\$ 71,800
Internal Fund Transfers	\$ 324,799	\$ 316,965	\$ 320,850
Designated & Undesignated Funds			
Grand Total	\$ 1,098,821	\$ 1,046,915	\$ 1,070,860

The most significant concern impacting the Conference budget is currently OCWM giving. As congregations and ministry models continue to evolve, the Conference Board has authorized the development of a strategic plan to help the Conference thoughtfully adapt to these changes. Through this process, the Conference will work to better support Associations and local congregations while also exploring new funding opportunities to expand and stabilize income sources for the future.

