

Committee/Group Name: Canvass

Purpose of Committee: Prepare an annual estimate of identified donation income

Members: Andrew Mills, Ruth Merriott

Special thanks to Ruth Merriott for tracking, compiling, and acknowledging pledges.

Thank you to Lynne Turvey, Susan Ruttan, and Rev Rosemary for following up missing pledges

Major Actions of 2026 Canvass

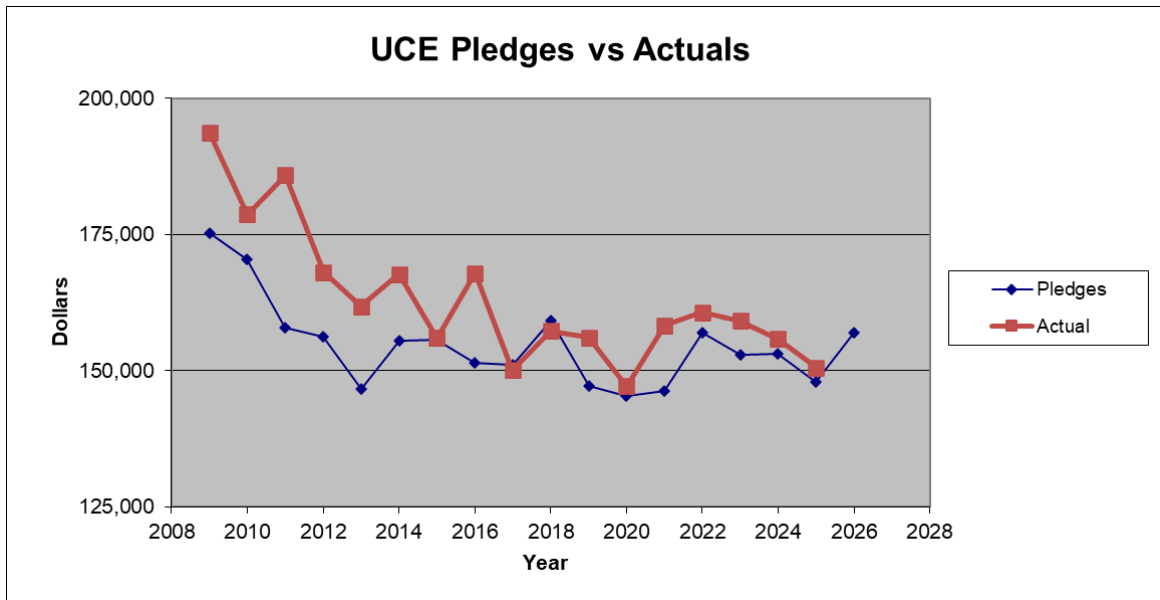
2026 Canvass theme “Many Streams Make a River”

Activities: newsletter articles (4), direct mail (1), canvass talks (5), emails and phone calls.

New this year was the Big Splash canvass dinner on Mar 28th which was a big success and really helped get the last of the pledges in for this year.

Discussion

- The final 2026 canvass amount is **\$156,952**, which was 6% better than last year.
- Actuals vs Pledges for the last 2 years are 1.8%. Estimate $156,952 \times 1.018 = \$159,777$
- **Canvass indicates that we could have a 2026/2027 budget up to \$160,000**



In the graph Pledge totals are for the upcoming church year and Actuals are based on the last calendar year.

Recommendations for Board Consideration

- This was my 20th and final canvass. I am stepping down as canvass chair.

Suggested Actions for 2026-27

- Choose a new canvass chair and start preparations for 2027 Canvass by November

Submitted by: Andrew Mills