

Go Campaign FAQs

That's a lot of money... Have we ever done this before?

Casting vision and rallying together generously to go beyond ourselves is part of our Meeting House DNA! We have done 3 major capital campaigns in the last 20 years, raising over \$20m to advance the Kingdom and share the good news of Jesus (on top of our general fund giving). Each have been similar in size -- or greater -- than \$6m. We can do this!

Should I still give to the Growth Fund?

The Growth Fund has been renamed *Go Fund*. If you have been giving to the Growth Fund, you are now giving to the Go Campaign and we encourage you to continue. An increase in your support for the new projects in our Go Campaign would be most appreciated.

I give to the General Fund. Should I keep doing that and let The Meeting House decide how to use the money?

Our hope is that those giving regularly to the General Fund will continue to do so, while considering Go Campaign donations above and beyond their regular contributions.

The Go Campaign will fund aspects of our vision that are not included in our ongoing general fund expenditures.

I've never given money to The Meeting House before, but I would like to start. Should I give to Go Campaign or start giving to the General Fund?

We would recommend giving to the General Fund to start. Thank you! Giving (of your time, talent, and finances) is a step of faith and an important part of the discipleship journey. Giving teaches us to hold our possessions loosely, focus on others, and become more like Jesus. If you would also like to give to the Go Campaign, we would be delighted to accept your contributions.

How can I make a Pledge?

To pledge your support, please visit themeetinghouse.com/go-pledge or fill out the paper form available on a Sunday morning. You can mail the printed form to us, or leave it in the offering.

Can I give now?

To give now, text the word TMH to 77977 or visit www.themeetinghouse.com/give for other ways to offer your support now.

How long do I have to fulfil my pledge?

You can give towards your pledge from November 2019 until June 30, 2022.

How much should I pledge?

Thank you for prayerfully considering how you can participate in Go over the next 2.5 years. We hope that most people will offer an additional portion of what they give to the General Fund now. Here is a projection of how we anticipate reaching our goal. Thank you for joining us to live simply, so that we can give generously.

Annual Donation (each year for 3 years)	# of Donors	Total Over 3 Years
Current Growth Fund	600	\$1.2m
\$100 - \$500	400	\$428k
\$500 - \$1,000	220	\$495k
\$1,000 - \$2,500	200	\$1.1m
\$2,500 - \$5,000	100	\$1.1m
\$5,000 - \$10,000	33	\$743k
\$10,000 - \$25,000	15	\$810k
Over \$25,000	2	\$150k
	1,570	\$6 million

Can I check my giving to date?

Yes, but you will have to call or email the office for that information. Please email donate@themeetinghouse.com or call Rachel at 905.287.7000 ext 7026.

What if I can't fulfil my pledge?

If you are unable to honour your initial pledge, please telephone or email the office and we will make a change on your account. Email donate@themeetinghouse.com or call Rachel at 905.287.7000 ext 7026.

What happens if we raise more or less than the \$6MM target?

Senior Leadership will be monitoring giving throughout the campaign and, as always, planning spending based on what we actually receive. If we exceed or fall short of our target, we will strategically disburse funds to allow for maximum impact in each area and to further our overall vision.

How will the \$6MM be invested and what will the impact be?

An online version of the Campaign brochure offers details of each project area, how much we plan to invest, and the anticipated impact. An online copy of the brochure will be available by November 9th at themeetinghouse.com/go.

I have more questions. Where can I talk about this campaign with other people?

There will be a number of local events throughout the campaign where you will be welcomed to come with your questions.

1. Launch event, November 9, 2019. Register [here](#)
2. Regional Gatherings: these smaller events will be an opportunity to come together with several other sites to talk about Go, exchange ideas about how to support the campaign locally and to answer questions. Dates are tentatively as follows:
 - Feb 11: Kitchener, Waterloo, London
 - Feb 13: Hamilton
 - Feb 25: Toronto
 - March 1: Oakville, Burlington, Brampton
 - March 3: Richmond Hill, Newmarket
 - March 10: Ottawa
 - TBD: online
3. Local Vision Nights: each Meeting House site will be encouraged to host a local event(s) that will focus on gathering as a family to worship, pray and fellowship together. There will be time to talk about Go campaign and answer lingering questions. Times and locations will be determined by the Pastor and the Go Campion at your site.
4. To speak with a staff member about the campaign or a particular project, please contact Alison Hardman, Stewardship Manager. alison.hardman@themeetinghouse.com

Will I get a tax receipt for my gift? Where?

Yes. All gifts are eligible for a tax receipt to be used for income tax purposes. You can get up to 40% of your gift back through your tax return, depending on how much you give, and how much you earn. Receipts will be available online in February. To access your tax receipt, visit meetinghouse.infellowship.com and log into your account.

If you don't have an account, please visit meetinghouse.infellowship.com/UserLogin. From here, you'll be able to download your receipt.

Will my personal information be confidential?

Yes. Your contributions and personal data are secure and kept in strict confidence, in accordance with our [Data Privacy Policy](#). We do not share any personal information unless required to do so by law.

Can I give a gift of securities?

Yes! There can be significant tax benefits when gifting appreciated stocks, bonds or mutual funds directly to charity, as the CRA does not apply capital gains tax. To donate marketable securities, please contact donate@themeetinghouse.com.