

World Council of Churches

Ecumenical Solidarity Fund Application Form

A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In no more than 2 pages please include the following information:

1.	Project title: MISSION AND POWER – GIVING VOICE TO GRASSROOTS PEOPLE IN STRUGGLE: Part 2.
2.	Name of applying organisation: The Anglican Church of Canada acting for URBAN RURAL MISSION CANADA.
3.	Information on church-relatedness and/or ecumenical involvement of your organisation: The Anglican Church of Canada is a member church of WCC and the Canadian Council of Churches. It has served as the institutional base for URM Canada after it was cut from the WCC program budget in 2007.
4.	Within which ESF thematic area does your project lie ? (Please choose maximum two areas) __ enabling inclusion and participation of marginalised groups and communities;
5.	Problem you wish to alleviate/solve: The need to give voice and visibility at the Edinburgh 2010 World Mission Conference to grassroots people from communities in struggle. In particular, the voices of people from the “global south in the geographic north” – people in Canada who have been marginalized, impoverished, or are struggling to survive, and who risk being excluded from Edinburgh 2010.
6.	Target group: The project aims to involve groups, the majority of whom are women, who have formed the core circle of URM for decades: organizers and activists from First Nations communities, rural communities (farmers and fishers), urban centres, immigrants and refugees. A project group is putting together a DVD of these voices and stories for presentation at Edinburgh 2010.
7.	Overall and specific objective: Part 1: <u>Documentation</u> (ESF grant received earlier in 2009). To create a 15-20 minute DVD with stories of struggle and transformation from participants in URM Canada. The DVD will be posted on-line and linked with the Edinburgh 2010 and related websites. Part 2: <u>People to People</u> (as outlined in this proposal): To send up to three people to Edinburgh in June 2010. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participants in the Edinburgh 2010 Conference will be able to view and discuss the DVD produced by URM Canada; • Conference participants will be able to participate in a workshop on the URM Story Telling Circle; • The URM Canada delegation will visit and lead workshops in local churches to share our stories and process and to give visibility to marginal groups in Canada.

8. Planned activities:

Update on Part 1: Documentation. A project group has been formed and has met to plan and implement the creation of a DVD to document our stories of struggle and transformation, and the story-telling process used by URM Canada for mutual support and encouragement. We expect to

- Document stories from four or five communities across Canada;
- Send a videographer to at least two communities and invite two others to videotape their own stories and activities
- Produce a DVD about the story-telling process.

Part 2: People to people. At the time of writing, discussions with conference organizers in the UK (London, York, Edinburgh) have taken place during July 2009. We learned that

- on-site Conference participation is limited to 250
- 70 will be appointed from among people involved in the study process, which includes “subaltern voices” as one of the transversal topics.
- A further 180 delegates will be chosen by stakeholders such as denominations or institutions.
- There will be an opportunity after the conference for participants to visit local churches.

As indicated in the correspondence in Appendix A, it is our hope that:

- One or two people from our project may be able to attend the Edinburgh 2010 conference from June 3-6, 2010 as delegates;
- They may have the opportunity to lead a conference workshop;
- They may be able after the conference proper to lead workshops and meet with local churches and congregations.

In anticipation of this outcome, we are seeking funding to send three people to Scotland from URM Canada, including

- one Aboriginal person from northern Canada,
- one person of colour from an urban centre.

Though only one or two of these could be official delegates, we plan to send up to three. A contingent of three individuals would help to enrich and expand the storytelling workshop, and would provide an opportunity to offer workshop experiences to more conference participants, time and space permitting.

9. Expected results:

- A DVD about URM Canada that shows both the process of story-telling and actually tells the story of select people and projects who are in the margins of church and society (the “global south”) in a northern context.
- Representatives from URM Canada are able to tell their stories and lead others in our story-telling method in a way that invites new perspectives on God’s mission and the mutuality of the work of mission at the Edinburgh 2010 Conference.
- Story-telling method serves as a model to others seeking to strengthen the mutuality of their mission efforts or to build bridges between diverse groups.

10. Monitoring and evaluation: how will the project be monitored and evaluated ? By whom ?

Through the oversight of the project Steering Committee, and with help and support from Canada’s “Mission and Power” documentation group.

11. Time frame for the project

Date of commencement : January 2010

Date of completion : end of June 2010

12. Amount requested - \$5,500 Canadian

B. CONTACT DETAILS

1. Name of church or organization: URBAN RURAL MISSION CANADA under the sponsorship of THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA.	
2. Name of the person responsible for the project The Rev. Maylanne Maybee, Coordinator for Ecojustice Networks for the Anglican Church of Canada; formerly Moderator of Urban Rural Mission Canada.	
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C. ORGANISATIONAL PROFILE

1. Organisational background URM Canada was formed in 1975 and was formally active until September 2008. There is still a lively steering group that has overseen follow up from the gathering held in Orillia last September, documentation, and ongoing communication among participants. However, organizational supports such as a part time staff person and auditing services have been discontinued. A URM Global Partners Fund, based out of Vancouver, BC, is in formation with the aim of creating ongoing project support for URM activities. The purpose of URM Canada has been to gather a circle of selected grassroots people from communities in struggle across Canada for story telling, solidarity, justice seeking, and community development. Participants, the majority of whom are women, have reflected a balance of under-represented groups – people of colour, Aboriginal people, farmers, fishers, refugees and immigrants. With the cut in funding from WCC, URM Canada has had to discontinue its annual meetings. The relationships among participants continue, however, by phone, e-mail, and a website. A steering committee has been formed to implement and monitor this project with institutional support from the Anglican Church of Canada (administration, conference calls, financial management), and financial support from the ESF fund.
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The steering committee consists of

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There was no formal audit of URM Canada in 2008 due to the almost complete depletion of funds after September. Audited statements from 2007 are attached. Audited statements for the Anglican Church of Canada can be supplied upon request.

2. Please include brief information on the projects/activities and main results of your organisation to date.

Recent projects of URM Canada include

- September 2008 - A reunion of past and present participants in Orillia, ON, "Telling the Story of URM Canada: Remembering, Celebrating, Visioning"
- 2002 - A video and handbook, *This is Our Story and We Live by Telling It* to be used as a community development resource.

3. Give information on church-relatedness and ecumenical involvement of your organisation. If you have no direct relationship, please provide a note from the church endorsing the application.

Throughout its history of 30+ years, URM Canada related directly and formally to the WCC. In Canada, it was connected with the ecumenical movement through the Canadian Council of Churches. The moderator of URM Canada, appointed in 2006, is on the staff of the Anglican Church of Canada which now forms an institutional base for the ongoing life of URM Canada.

4. Are other churches and partners directly involved in the project? If so, please give details. Please also list local and/or international organisations or networks with which your organisation cooperates.

URM Canada has had an active relationship with the Canadian Council of Churches, a strong link with the United Church of Canada, and a collaborative relationship with KAIROS – Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives. URM Canada is directly linked by overlapping membership with the Edinburgh 2010 documentation group on "Mission and Power", co-chaired by Lori Ransom and Jonathan Bonk.

Budget Table

CURRENCY USED – Canadian Dollars				
No.	Category	Details	2009	2010
1.	Salaries, honorariums for project personnel			
1.1	Professional videographer and producer		1,500	
1.2	Local videotaping	Reduced to four days @ 1,200	4,800	
1.3	Child care costs for volunteer videographer	Approx 5 days @ \$150 per day (2 children under seven yrs of age)	750	
2.	Project implementation costs			
2.1 etc				
3.	Communication costs			
3.1 etc				
4.	Travel/accommodation costs			
4.1	One face-to-face meeting - August 2009	Near Ottawa – 1 airfare, 1 car rental, childcare, food @ approx \$1600	1,600	
4.2	One face-to-face meeting – January 2010	Near Toronto – 2 airfares (1 from Northern Canada, 1 from Western or Eastern Canada), 2 nights for 2 people @ \$90		2,500
4.3	Airfares to Edinburgh	Approx \$1200 ea for 2 people plus \$1200 travel from Northern Canada		3,600
4.4	Accommodation	Apartment hotel accommodation for one week for two people		2,100
5.	Other Costs			
5.1	Conference calls, etc.		2,500	2,500
C.	TOTAL PROJECT COSTS:		11,150	10,700
	Amount received from ESF- June 2009		+\$16,350	
	Amount requested from ESF- Sept 2009			+\$5,500
D.	SURPLUS (DEFICIT)		5,200	0