

Form for Requesting Diaconal Assistance from the Diaconal Committee of the Presbytery of Michigan and Ontario

The Diaconal Committee makes this form available to local churches within the Presbytery of Michigan and Ontario that wish to request financial assistance for individuals in need within the OPC. Please fill it out as completely as possible. The committee does not intend for this to be a roadblock, but rather to ensure that we receive all pertinent information so as to be able to come to a swift decision. All answers are confidential to the committee. Some answers may require additional follow-up by the committee. You can print out this form and submit it by mail, or type in your answers below, save, and send the completed form by email to Deacon Doug Vos at doug.vos@gmail.com. Thank you.

1. Name and address of the church requesting financial assistance.

2. Name and address of the person/family that needs assistance, and the OP church with which they are affiliated.

3. What is the exact amount of financial assistance you are requesting from the Committee on Diaconal Ministries?

4. Usually a specific request for aid is the result of a larger situation. Please provide the history, nature, and extent (i.e., one-time or long-term assistance) of the need, including any relevant extenuating circumstances.

5. Have there been any attempts and/or success in negotiating outstanding bills and/or in agreeing upon payment plans?

6. Is this need something that could be covered by insurance? Has this option been explored? If a claim has been denied, has it been followed up with an appeal?

7. What has the individual, family, and extended family done to address this need?

8. Please describe any government assistance sought in addressing this need, and the result. As stated above, Medicare will not cover this treatment.

9. What counsel has the local diaconate provided, and how have they been able to respond financially to this need?

12. If applicable, have steps been taken to prevent this need from recurring?

13. Is there any other pertinent information that the Diaconal Committee should know before considering this request?

14. Please list any financial reports, budgets, lists of assets, etc. that could help define the need and support this request, and include them as an attachment to this form.

Name of person completing this form

Your position

Signature

Date Submitted

Submit this completed form to: Doug Vos, Chairman of the Diaconal Committee of the Presbytery of Michigan and Ontario.

By email: doug.vos@gmail.com

Or by US Mail to: Deacon Doug Vos,

% Oakland Hills Community Church (OPC), 37150 W. Eight Mile, Farmington Hills, MI 48335

Response of the Diaconal Committee of the Presbytery of Michigan and Ontario: