



# CAPITAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN EXCEPTION APPLICATION

## Application Instructions

The Capital Stewardship Campaign Exception is designed for churches entering into a Capital Stewardship Campaign (CSC) that may adversely affect that congregation's ability to achieve their allocation goals for the Funding the Mission giving plan.

The Exceptions Committee is currently composed of eight members: three district superintendents, two pastors, and three laypeople. Stewardship Development facilitates the committee's communication and administrative needs. The committee considers the merit of each situation, taking into account all factors in an attempt to render consistent, well-informed decisions that align with the CSC policy outlined below.

***There is no need to include this page with your submitted request.***

The committee reviews certain criteria prior to making a decision on a CSC exception and reviews various benchmarks to ensure consistency. Knowing the criteria may help a church on your district decide whether or not a CSC request is the best resolution in their circumstance.

A Capital Stewardship Campaign is defined as a financial fundraising campaign to raise funds for the church that is over and above the tithe and regular offerings of the donor, lasts for a specific time (no longer than 36 months), is limited to facilities intended for worship or discipleship, and is targeted for at least one of the following:

- *Purchase* of real estate for the expressed intent of worship or discipleship
- *Construction* of facilities for said purposes
- *Acceleration* of debt reduction (beyond scheduled loan amortization) on facilities previously constructed for said purposes

If a CSC exception is requested and approved, the first day of eligibility will be the first day in the district's 2019 fiscal year. A church whose CSC is qualified agrees that, for the duration of the CSC exception, the church will contribute the allocation percentages as prescribed in the Funding the Mission giving plan.

In addition, the church agrees to a denominational allocation goal minimum equal to the average of the amount allocated over the previous three fiscal years prior to the start of the campaign. By using the previous three year average of the local church's Funding the Mission plan goals, the church's goal would not be less than the three year average of these goals for the duration of the campaign, but the church could give more based on non-CSC income growth that may occur during the CSC.

### Instructions to submit a CSC request:

A written summary of the campaign and reasoning for the request is to be included with the completed application (available at [fundingthemission.org](http://fundingthemission.org)). Once the local church has received the approval of the District Advisory Board and district superintendent, the request and summary are sent by the local church to the Exceptions Committee at [exceptions@nazarene.org](mailto:exceptions@nazarene.org).

### After submitting a CSC request:

1. Within a week, the applicant will receive an email confirmation that the application has been received.
2. Within 45 days, the Exceptions Committee will review the application and make a decision.
3. Within 60 days, a written response will be sent to the pastor. A copy will be sent to the district superintendent, jurisdictional general superintendent, and USA/Canada regional director.

# Capital Stewardship Campaign Application

## Application Information

Any item left blank on the form could cause an unnecessary delay in the committee's response.

Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church Number: Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_ Church Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
 District Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor's Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 District Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_ DS's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### History of Allocations

	Allocation Goal	Amount Contributed
<b>2016</b> 2015-2016	WEF _____	
	P&B _____	
	EDU _____	
	Church Income _____	
<b>2017</b> 2016-2017	WEF _____	
	P&B _____	
	EDU _____	
	Church Income _____	
<b>2018</b> 2017-2018	WEF _____	
	P&B _____	
	EDU _____	
	Church Income _____	

### Please verify the following criteria:

(If all three do not apply in your case, please include a written summary of the reason)

- The campaign is for the purchase of real estate for the intent of worship or discipleship.
- The campaign is for the construction of facilities for the intent of worship or discipleship.
- The campaign is for the indebtedness of facilities previously constructed for said purposes.

I have attached a complete written summary of the campaign, including reasoning as to how this campaign creates a financial hardship for the local church.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Pastor's Signature                      Date                      District Superintendent's Signature                      Date

Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please answer the following prompts to help the committee understand the nature of your request. Please be as complete and transparent as possible.**

**Capital Stewardship Campaign Specifics**

Yes     No    Does the campaign create a financial hardship for the church in meeting giving goals for worldwide ministry? If so, explain how.

Yes     No    Does the campaign comply with the specific criteria displayed in the BGS resolution?

Yes     No    Does the campaign include an element of deferred maintenance? If so, include detail below:

Yes     No    Has the CSC exception been approved by the District Superintendent and District Advisory Board? Please include details below: