



**The Cathedral Church of St. Paul
Burlington, Vermont**

Brief Case Statement- June 2009

About the Campaign for St. Paul's Cathedral:

Executive Summary: Using the guiding principles of preservation, stewardship, environmentalism and conservation, safety, accessibility, hospitality, children and families, global Christian activism, and support of the Diocesan Capital Campaign, the Cathedral Church of St. Paul will embark upon a capital campaign to raise a minimum of \$1 million to:

- ❖ Address urgent building repairs and upgrades.
- ❖ Establish an earmarked music ministry endowment.
- ❖ Improve accessibility.
- ❖ Create green roofs over the chancel and sacristy.
- ❖ Enhance facilities and programs for children and families.

In addition, the campaign will make a participatory contribution to the Episcopal Diocese of Vermont Capital Campaign, as well as to the Millennium Development Goals.

At \$1 million, the capital campaign will raise funds to:

- ❖ Preserve the Cathedral by providing funding for the most urgent renovation and repair needs, with particular emphasis on St. Paul's roofs and concrete exterior. Repairs will encompass the roof over the main entry and the bell tower; a new altar roof and adjoining north tower roof; the roof over the nave and south tower; the narthex and gutter along the memorial garden; the roof over the main office and main entry; and the sacristy roof. In addition, the Cathedral's concrete exterior will be cleaned, caulked, and sealed for the first time since its construction.
- ❖ Include the addition of "green roofing" on a portion of the Cathedral's many roofs. Green roofing has both environmental and financial advantages. A green roof provides increased insulation, cutting down on heat and cooling losses. It increases the roof's life span by preventing dramatic fluctuations in temperature that cause roof degradation. It also provides better absorption of storm water, conserves rain water, and mitigates storm water runoff, which is damaging to Lake Champlain. Its "green island effect" has the added advantage of cooling surrounding temperatures, having an impact on St. Paul's surrounding neighbors. Its integration into St. Paul's physical surroundings is also a wonderful statement of environmental care and stewardship. The "green roof" consists of portable egg-crate like containers holding native plants require little maintenance and that are impervious to hot and cold temperatures.

- ❖ Conserve energy, through the replacement of the Cathedral's great windows with new windows with the highest "R" energy rating and the installation of energy efficient blinds or shades on the wide expanse of office and Commons Room windows facing west and on the Parish Hall windows.
 - ❖ Safeguard parishioners and visitors through the replacement of heat detectors with dual heat and smoke detectors.
 - ❖ Improve hospitality, energy efficiency, and comfort through the installation of infrared heat in the main entry, chapel, and bathrooms.
 - ❖ Replace major appliances in the parish kitchen.
 - ❖ Enhance accessibility for the disabled and older and younger parishioners through upgrades to the elevator; installation of a handicapped ramp from the lower parking area to the lower level door; upgrades to the bathrooms; improved access to the chancel; and replacement of uneven and unsafe pavers around the Cathedral's front door.
 - ❖ Promote outreach and growth to families with young children by making child and family-friendly improvements.
 - ❖ Enhance our financial resources by establishing \$300,000 in new funding for a music endowment in the Cathedral Trust to provide annual income for the Cathedral's music program.
 - ❖ Profess Christian activism through a contribution to the Millennium Development Goals, which include eradicating poverty and hunger; achieving universal primary education; promoting gender equality; reducing child mortality; improving maternal health; combating HIV/AIDS/malaria and other diseases; ensuring environmental sustainability; and developing global partnerships for development. The 2006 General Convention called by resolution on every Diocese to establish a group dedicated to mobilizing Episcopalians toward the achievement of the goals.
 - ❖ Model stewardship and commitment to St. Paul's as the seat of the Bishop through a special St Paul's Cathedral leadership gift to the upcoming Episcopal Diocese of Vermont Capital Campaign, to be launched in 2009.
- *(Costs of fundraising are included in the campaign project, at a % not to exceed acceptable professional standards.)

Higher Levels of Campaign Success

At \$1.3 million in campaign funding success, St Paul's will proceed with all of the above, PLUS:

- ❖ Plan for the comprehensive renovation of the main entry and South Porch area to include the installation of a vestibule and automatic door openers in the main entry of St. Paul's. This will reduce heat loss in the building, and provide a more comfortable

entrance for all who come to St. Paul's. Those who are interested in the airlock's design can participate in the process. Automatic door openers will also increase handicapped accessibility of the building.

At \$1.5 million in campaign funding success, St. Paul's will proceed with all of the above, PLUS:

- ❖ Plan for the comprehensive renovation to provide space dedicated to the children of St. Paul's
- ❖ Construct additional green roofs
- ❖ Allocate an additional \$25,000 to the Diocesan Campaign.

The Campaign for St. Paul's is a Call to Action and Recommitment

The challenges St. Paul's faces are considerable. Renovations to the building are needed not only for what they physically will afford but because they will help St Paul's meet its own long-range and strategic goals to embody the spirit of welcome, accessibility, outreach, stewardship, and Christian fellowship that represent the best and truest of Christian values and ideals.

This campaign will require time, talent and treasure from every member of the congregation and from others who share and respect the Cathedral's values and role in the community.

This undertaking to improve the building, to earmark funding for music ministry, the Diocese of Vermont, and the Millennium Development Goals, provides a meaningful opportunity for the Cathedral's members to renew their spiritual partnership, to embrace the Cathedral's identity, and to practice the principles of stewardship by pledging over a three- to five-year period.