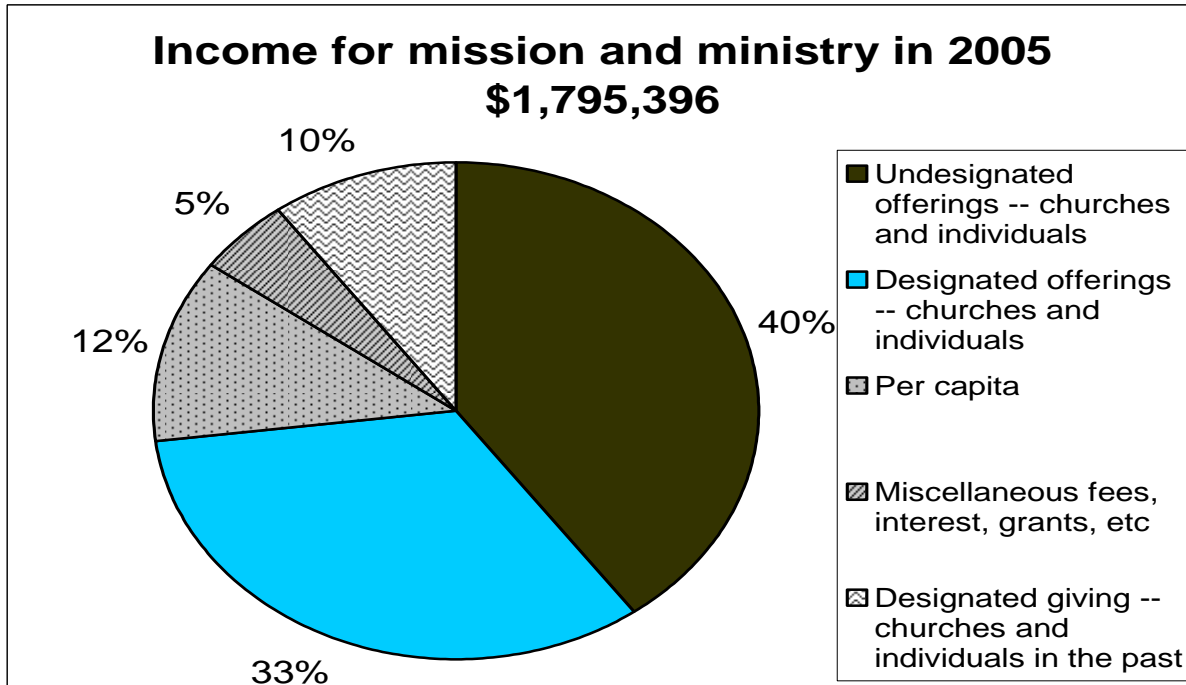


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## How do we fund the Presbytery's Mission and Ministry?

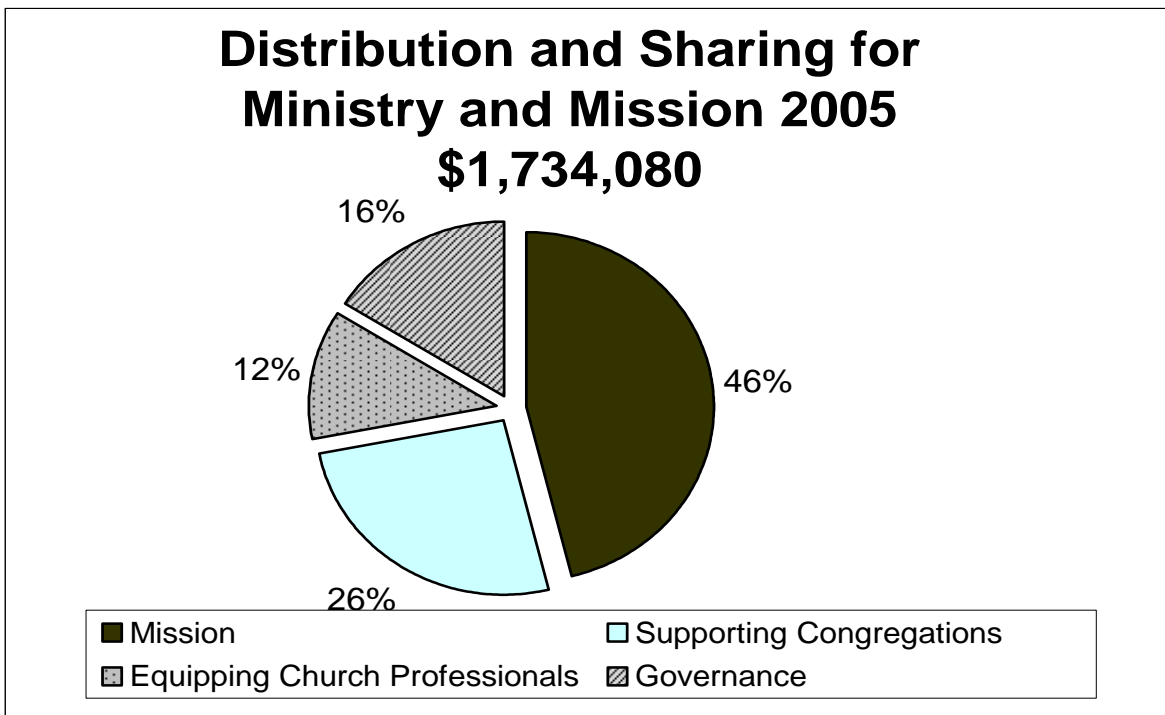


- 40% from the Undesignated Offerings of churches and individuals** representing the generous hearts to the shared mission of the Presbytery. These gifts provide the staff, resources and many of the programs that directly help congregations and church professionals in Shenandoah Presbytery in their ministries. **\$721,752**
- 33 % from the Designated Offerings of churches and individuals** including the special offerings such as the *Joy Gift Offering* and the *4 Cents A Meal Offering*, as well as Directed Mission Support to specific missionaries, the Ethiopian Partnership and many other projects designated by the presbytery and by the contributors. *(The Presbytery does not ever charge an administrative fee for gifts passed through the Presbytery to directed missions elsewhere.)* **\$591,265**
- 10 % from the Designated Giving of churches and individuals in the past** including the money distributed from endowments made by generous Presbyterians in the past and handled by the Presbytery and the Shenandoah Presbytery Corporation. **\$166,153**
- 12% from the Per Capita** offering which includes money contributed directly by churches toward the administrative and governance work of the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly. **\$220,508**
- 5% from Miscellaneous fees** including interest accrued in the wise management in the flow of cash, camp and conference fees and certain direct contributions not ordinarily considered as mission giving. **\$95,718**

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## A SPENDING OVERVIEW of the ministry and mission of the Presbytery.



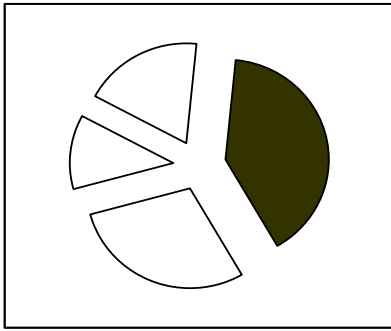
**46% for Mission Funding** goes as special offerings and to specific initiatives of the congregations, Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly. **\$794,882**

**26% for Supporting Congregations** funds Church Development, Mission Communities, the Resource Center and many other ministries that directly support the ministries of specific congregations. **\$456,588**

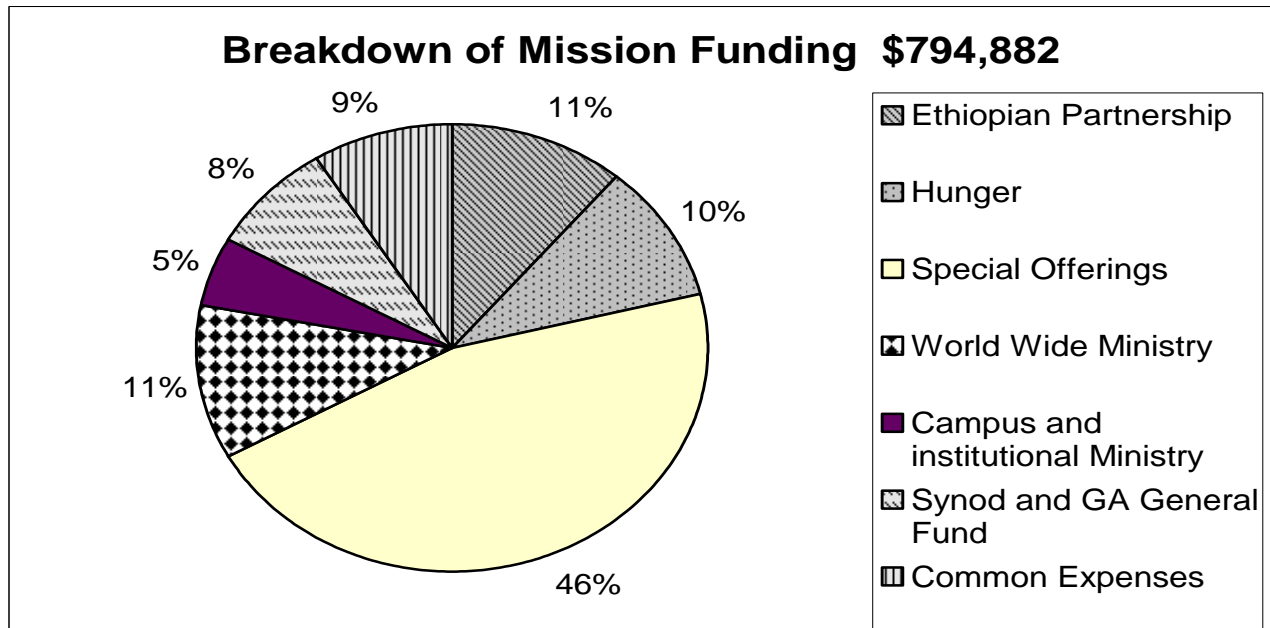
**12% for Equipping Church Professionals** includes funds that encourage long and vital ministries in the congregations of the Presbytery as well as meeting emergency needs of church professionals. **\$212,399**

**16% for Governance Funds** pays for the work we do together as a Presbytery to support, encourage and guide one another according to the *Book of Order* and General Assembly decisions. More funds also support governance of the Synod and General Assembly. **\$270,211**

**Worth Knowing: Support for Mission Funding and Supporting Congregations rose 23% in 2005 while Governance Funds dropped by 10%.**



# Where are the MISSION FUNDS distributed?



**11% the Ethiopian Partnership** is a 20 Year project of Shenandoah Presbytery that helps enable the exciting growth and nurture of the Illubabor Bethel Synod of the Mechani Yesus Church in Ethiopia and several church-to-church partnerships. **\$87,630**

**10% the Hunger** Funds are distributed to local food banks and projects and to hunger action initiatives across the globe. **\$83,494**

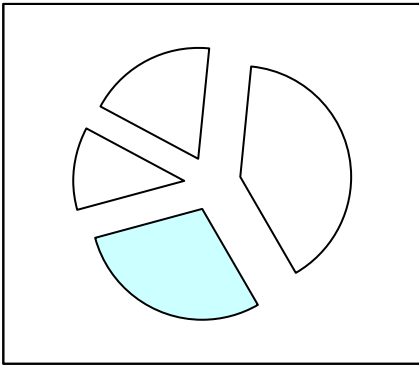
**46% Special Offerings** include the *One Great Hour of Sharing*, *Joy Gift Offering*, *Pentecost (Witness) Offering*, and other special giving occasions. These funds pass through the Presbytery to the agencies and ministries across the globe that depend upon them. **\$346,227**

**11% World Wide Ministry** funds are used for a variety of projects (besides the Ethiopian Partnership) initiated by churches and mission communities within the Presbytery. This item also includes the Directed Giving some congregations offer to specific missionaries within the Presbyterian Church USA. **\$109,540**

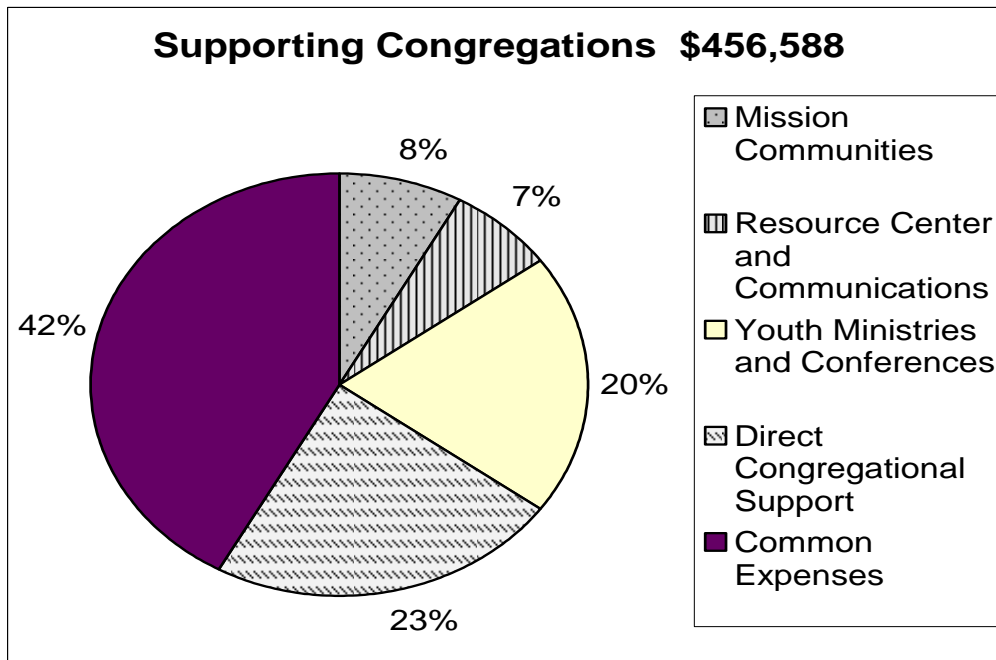
**5% Campus and Institutional Ministry** includes the Joint Lutheran Presbyterian Campus Ministry housed at JMU in Harrisonburg and our support for Presbyterian campus ministries throughout Virginia. Institutions such as Montreat, Sunnyside and the Children's Homes are also included. **\$42,097**

**8% Synod and GA General Funds** represents **\$19,163** to the Synod and **\$66,099** contributed to the general mission work of the General Assembly.

**9% for Common Expenses** accounts for the staff, resources and facility expenses necessary to support the committees and the receipt and distribution of these funds. **\$74,760**

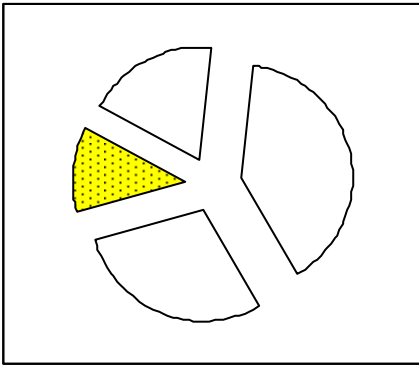


# How are the SUPPORTING CONGREGATIONS funds used?

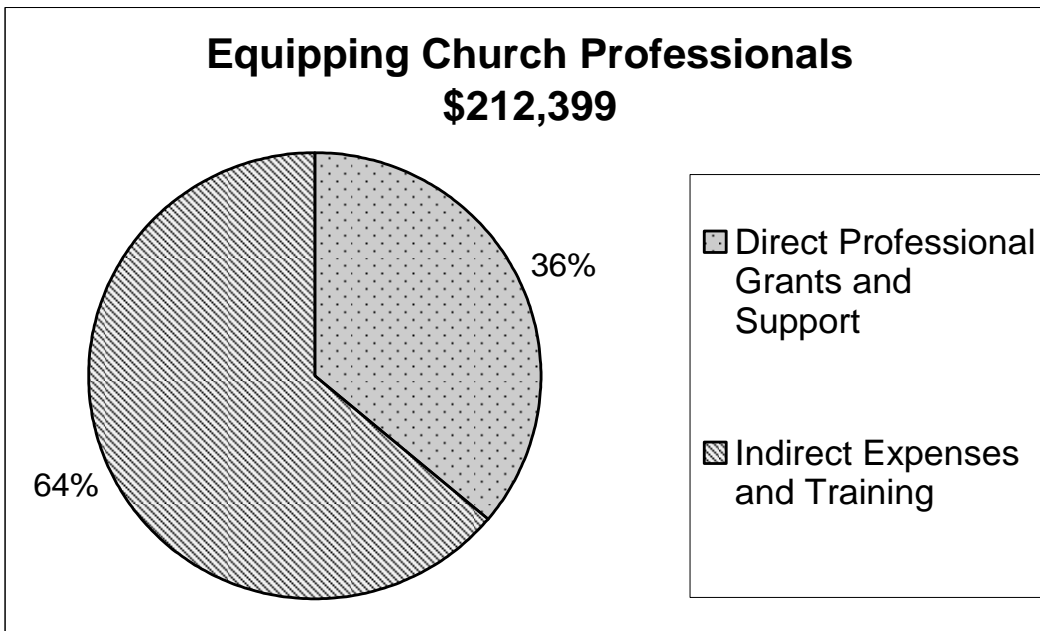


**Worth Knowing:** Support for congregations and their ministries in 2005 reflects a 28% increase over the previous year and a commitment of the presbytery.

- 8% The Mission Communities** use a portion of their funds to work together in officer training, outreach, worship, fellowship and an increasing number of creative ministries together. **\$38,452**
- 7% Resource Center and Communications** reflects direct aide to congregations to provide resources for their programs and outreach. The Resource Center and the Communications Committee are all reflected in this funding. **\$30,790**
- 20% Youth Ministries and Conferences** indicates funding for the Shenandoah Presbytery Youth Connection (Youth Council), Montreat Youth Conferences and other youth events, as well Presbyterian Women and providing Camp Paddy Run for use by congregations. **\$89,149**
- 23% Direct Congregational Support** is the continuing work of the Presbytery through the Committee on Church Development and the Committee on Ministry. Training events for redevelopment churches and resources for congregations of all sizes help support the growth of all our congregations. Direct aide to congregations facing extraordinary financial hardships and unexpected emergencies also benefit from this part of the Presbytery budget. **\$106,402**
- 42% Common Expenses.** Congregational Support is the most staff-intensive portion of the Presbytery's ministry. Staff members for Resourcing, Communications and the General Presbyter, and the shared expenses of Committee work are reflected in this item. The Presbytery Mission Plan encourages the Presbytery staff to engage in regular contact with congregations providing resources, training communicators, visiting sessions and Pulpit Nominating Committees, and worship leadership. **\$191,795**



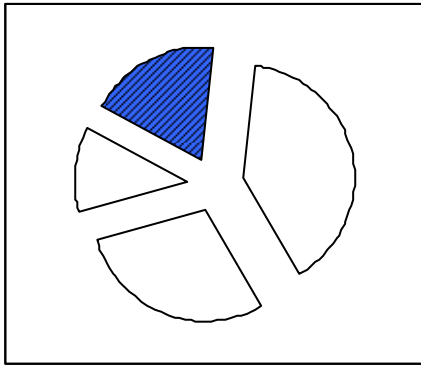
## What does the **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT** portion benefit?



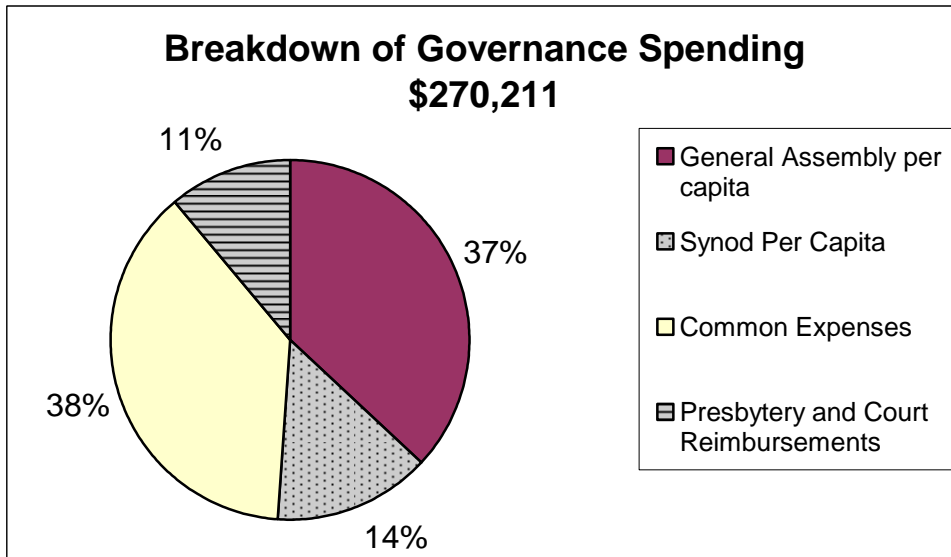
**WORTH KNOWING:** Since 2004 the Presbytery has distributed over \$130,000 to help ministers acquire retirement housing, pay off student loans, meet medical needs, pay college tuition for their children and undertake Sabbatical experiences.

**36% Direct Professional Grants and Support** go to ministers, educators, Commissioned Lay Pastors and other church professionals to support them in their ministries, special needs and projects. The bulk of this money is administered as a part of the Strong Ministers Program, which seeks to encourage long, vital ministries in the congregations of the Presbytery. **\$76,454**

**64% Indirect Expenses and Training** reflects the cost of ministering to ministers. Staff and administrative resources dedicated to professional support attempt to draw the very best church professionals to service with the congregations of Shenandoah Presbytery and to keep them in long, vital ministries. **\$135,945**



## What are the uses of the GOVERNANCE funds?



**WORTH KNOWING:** Since the Presbytery began to distribute the Presbytery meeting Handbook and Minutes by computer in 2000, the Presbytery has saved an estimated \$20,000 in mailing costs.

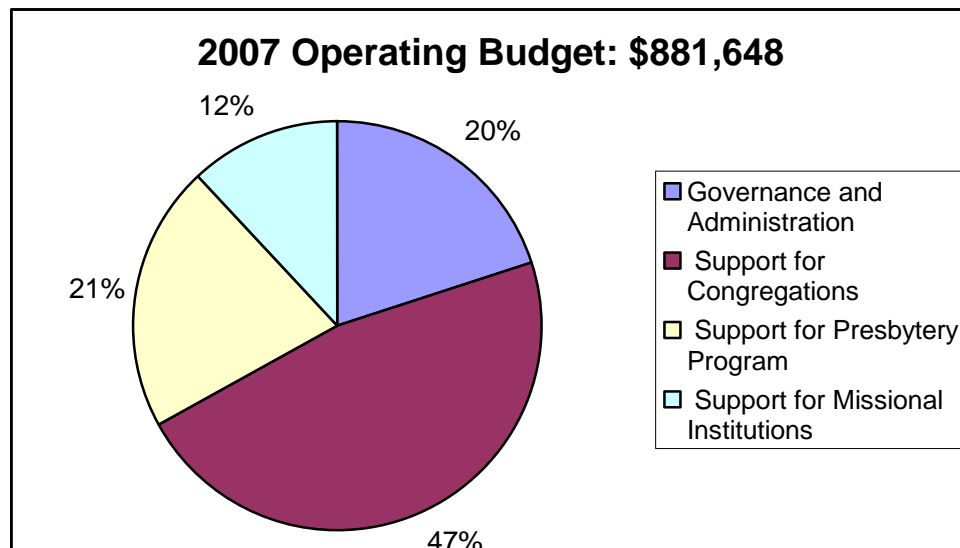
**37% General Assembly Per Capita** is each member's contribution, paid by our congregations, to the governance expenses of the General Assembly. **\$99,954**

**14% Synod Per Capita** is each member's contribution to the governance expenses of the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic. **\$37,539**

**11% Presbytery and Court Reimbursement** is the cost of holding Presbytery meetings and the reimbursable expenses of Commissions and other governing body functions. **\$29,999**

**38% Common Expenses** contains the expenses of the Stated Clerk and the Assistant to the Clerk, as well as other administrative and property costs of the Presbytery as they relate to governance. **\$102,719**

# How will the 2007 OPERATING BUDGET of the Presbytery be spent?



**20% Governance and Administration** reflects those functions of the Presbytery required by the connectational nature of our constitution. It includes the cost of Presbytery meetings, supporting candidates for ministry, operating the Presbytery Council and the staff and office time devoted to these functions of being a community together. **\$175,862**

**47% Support for Congregations** is the largest expenditure of the operating budget reflecting the priority of the Presbytery to be in support of congregations. The work of the Committee on Church Development (\$126,000), the Committee on Ministry and the necessary support staff; the Resource Center and expenses necessary to maintain Camp Paddy Run are among the things the budget supports in strengthening the ministry of congregations in the Presbytery. **\$415,539**

**21% Support for Presbytery Programs** even as the Presbytery has moved away from being a primary source of new programs, certain functions are better done collaboratively. Our partnership with Ethiopia, youth programs, Campus Ministry and Presbytery Women's activities are all initiated and supported from the presbytery budget. The Presbytery also provides the financial resources for the shared ministry of the six Mission Communities who have provided officer training, mission opportunities and an ever-growing number of programs directed to their particular needs together. **\$183,703**

**12% Support for Missional Institutions** includes our shared support for the missional work of the General Assembly and Synod as well as specific contributions to institutions like Massanetta Springs and Prison Chaplain Services who provide ministries in service to Christ and in whom we all benefit. **\$106,544**

*The operating budget of Presbytery does not include per-capita money collected for the General Assembly or Synod or designated contributions and endowments which are distributed outside the discretion of the operating budget.*

Brochure and other budget information at: [www.shenpres.org/BudFinCom.html](http://www.shenpres.org/BudFinCom.html)