

Providence Presbytery History of Budgets: 2004 - 2009

In the past, Providence Presbytery has used carryover funds to balance the budget for the following year. The amount of carryover funds has steadily decreased since 2001.

2004

In 2004 to balance the budget, we used \$10,510.85 of the money returned to us from money we had sent to Presbyterian Home for the Providence Home.

Mission Partnership Acceptances: \$26,986 more than 2003

Budget: Balanced

Year End Carryover: \$22,342.

2005

In 2005, we used money returned to us from the Presbyterian Home (\$20,000), carryover funds from 2004 (\$22,341.70), and accepted a \$25,006.51 deficit budget. The 2005 deficit budget included no salary increases, a 3.5% cumulative decrease to all divisions, a 10% decrease to all agencies, and omission of the summer intern position.

Mission Partnership Acceptances: \$53,643 less than 2004

Budget: \$25,006.51 Deficit Budget

Year End Carryover: \$6,842

2006

In 2006, we faced the same problem that we had in 2005. We have a few choices to make to either balance the budget or accept a deficit budget. There were no more funds left from the Providence Presbyterian Home project. Carryover funds from 2005 were \$6,841.77. The Presbytery voted to accept a deficit budget of \$28,875 for 2006.

Mission Partnership Acceptances: \$1,924 more than 2005

Budget: \$28,875 Deficit Budget

Year End Carryover: \$8,043

2007

In 2007, after tweaking the budget with some major cuts (two rounds for a total of \$42,383.03) and using the \$8,042.54 carryover funds which brought the deficit down to \$38,500.00 (the actual line by line budget deficit was \$46,542.54, which is the \$38,500 + \$8,042.54). There were 2007 anticipated staff savings of \$28,000 - From the new staffing structure. These savings helped the Presbytery's cash flow problems for 2007 but this problem still needed to be addressed in 2008. Employees received a 3% raise, not the 3.5% suggested by the Salary Studies Committee.

Mission Partnership Acceptances: \$41,351 less than 2006

Budget: \$38,500 Deficit Budget

Year End Carryover: \$3,348

2008

In 2008, there was a difference between the 2008 income and Expenses budgets of \$29,747.70. We had carryover funds from 2007 of \$3,347.70, which left a deficit of \$26,400 (the actual line by line budget deficit was \$29,747.70). We ended 2008 with a negative cash balance of -\$9,134.63 (-\$6,193.61 cash on hand and designated funds of \$2,941.02). This was the first time that anyone can remember that Providence Presbytery ended the year with a deficit. Monies were taken from the reserves accounts to bring this number back to zero. A major factor in this deficit was that Charleston Atlantic Presbytery was not able to meet \$23,714.50 of its commitment to Bethelwoods, and we were not aware of the problem until December. In 2008, we received 97.81% of the budgeted Mission Partnership Acceptances (\$18,106.30 less than pledged).

Mission Partnership Acceptances: \$500 less than 2007

Budget: \$26,400 Deficit Budget

2009

In 2009, there was a difference between the 2009 Income and Expense budgets of \$16,900. On March 12, 2009 Presbytery voted to accept the \$16,900 deficit budget. The 2009 deficit budget included no salary increases. We ended 2009 with \$6,847 in the operating account, but a negative cash balance of -\$5,556.93 (End ended with Designated funds of \$11,038.93 and Section 125 Liabilities of \$1,365.00).

Mission Partnership Acceptances: \$7,124 less than 2008

Budget: \$16,900 Deficit Budget

Year End Carryover: -\$5,556.93 (This amount was taken from reserves to bring the carryover to \$0)

2010

Mission Partnership Acceptances: \$24,519 less than 2009