



Conference Expenditure Guidelines

Many members seek advice on how their excess monies should be spent. Addressing the needs of those in your area has the primary call on your funds. Thereafter consideration should be given to Society Projects and international aid within the Society. For your guidance please consult the list below.

Society Projects:

- Ozanam Centre (Paisley & Glasgow)
- Ozanam Clubs (Motherwell & Paisley)
- Caravan Projects (Edinburgh, Glasgow, Dunkeld, Motherwell)
- Caravan at Nairn – Nationally
- Furniture Project (Fife, Motherwell, Dundee, Paisley)
- Holy Spirit Special Works Conference (Paisley)
- St Vincent Hospice Special Works Conference (Paisley)
- Rendu Group (Glasgow)
- Space Project
- General Project Fund (International)
- Technical, Vocational & Higher Ed. Students in India
- Society Appeals for Disasters (in countries where there is a Vincentian presence)

Outwith the Society:

- A Conference may support a local group (**not a Registered Charity**) if a Conference is **actively** involved in that group. However, only individuals involved with a Conference (in the Relief Book) should be supported from funds for a pilgrimage to Lourdes. **The total in this column should not exceed £500 within a financial year.** Ideally, this column would not contain any donations.

Many members feel that they receive requests for donations outwith the Society which they would like to address. If the Conference wishes they can then:

- Organise a fund raiser and donate the cash directly with no entries being made in the financial records of the Society or
- For **one week**, let parishioners know that instead of the SSVP collection a special collection will be made for the request. The SSVP boxes should have the name of the group you are collecting for on the front of the boxes. Again no entry should be made in your financial records.

If your Conference has excess funds you could also consider internal twinning ie. diverting funds to a fellow Conference within your group or area.