

**SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL**  
**National Council of Canada**

**NUMBER:** FIN 007

**SUBJECT:** FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

**DATE ADOPTED:** June 12, 2004

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of sending funds to the National Council should be seen as an opportunity to assist the poor in other areas and in the promotion of the wider works of the Society. These funds are the link that bind the whole Society together, and also allows the National Council to conduct the necessary administrative activities that will assist and enable Conferences, Particular and Central Councils, Provincial/Regional Councils to carry out Vincentian work in unison. The National Council has no other income than from that of funds sent from other provincial and regional councils. All Conferences and Councils should participate in sending funding to the National Council, as per the Rule of the Society.

**POLICY:** **Each Provincial and Regional Council shall request financial contributions based on the number of Conferences in each Province or Region. An amount (established by the Board of the National Council at the AGA) per Conference shall be submitted annually to the National Council of Canada.**

**PROCEDURE:** All Provincial and Regional Councils are required to make semi annual payments to the National Council May 1<sup>st</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup> of each fiscal year.

The National Council will send an invoice to each Provincial and Regional Council for their required amounts at the beginning of each fiscal year (April 1).

Provincial and Regional Councils will assess and collect funds from the Councils/Conferences within their own jurisdiction as deemed feasible to assist in the payment of the assessment.

**ACCOUNTABILITY:** Presidents of Provincial and Regional Councils to the President of the National Council of Canada.

All Presidents of all Conferences and Councils within Province or Region to their respective Provincial/Regional Council President.

**LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Treasurer of Provincial and Regional to prepare annual budget that includes the required amount to the National Council.

A semi annual return, together with a cheque made payable to SVP National Council for the total amount payable in the period should be sent to the National Office promptly at the end of each semi annual period (May and December)

All Conferences and Councils must also prepare a budget that includes contributions to the next higher council.

Submit semi annual payments to the next higher council in time for submission to the National Council by the Provincial or Regional Treasurer.

**REFERENCE:**            **The Rule (2007).**

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