

**Adopted by Social Services Committee on 28 April 2021
(Minute 28.4.21.02)**

Children at Residential Events

Thomas Hall Trust regulations

"Thomas Oswald Hall bequest (from original will): "As to five equal twentieth parts or shares UPON TRUST to pay the income to arise therefrom to MARY COCK the daughter of my late brother-in-law LESLIE NORMAN ROBEUCK during her lifetime AND from and after the death of the said MARY COCK to stand possessed of such share both as to capital and future income UPON TRUST for THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF VICTORIA SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT for use in connection with the care of children in Cottage Houses and ST JOHN'S HOME FOR BOYS AND GIRLS Canterbury in the said State in equal shares." Minute 286/08 of the meeting of the Trusts Corporation on 19 August 2008 records that it was agreed to allocate the funds from the T O Hall Bequest to Social Services for purposes as near as possible to those contained in the will, for use in connection with the care of children, preferably in some form of residential care, under the auspices of or associated with the Presbyterian Church of Victoria; and that if no such opportunity exists the Trusts Corporation is entitled to wait for a reasonable time before deciding what use they may make of the gift."

Social Service Committee Policy

1.0 Application Criteria

- 1.1 Contact information
- 1.2 Estimated number of children being assisted
- 1.3 An extracted minute from the session or organisation describing the nature of the event or confirming that the relevant child/children is/are from a Presbyterian congregation.
- 1.4 Financial Eligibility Criteria
- 1.5 Size of the Grant
- 1.6 Bank information for transfer of funds

2.0 Eligibility Criteria

- 2.1 Either
 - 2.2 A Presbyterian congregation or organisation running the residential event
 - 2.3 A child (under 18) from a Presbyterian congregation or organisation (eg PYV) attending a residential event
 - 2.4 A child (under 18) from a Presbyterian congregation attending the minister's family camp
 - 2.5 Someone from a Presbyterian congregation attending an Engage conference to be trained in Youth or Children's ministry.

3.0 Availability of Funds

- 3.1 In the event of multiple residential events in a single year the Committee will seek to distribute funds equitably across the state so that the children of each congregation have the possibility of benefiting particularly favouring congregations with fewer financial resources.

Bequest Policies

Poverty

Douglas Family Trust

“THE CAPITAL IS TO BE PRESERVED IN PERPETUITY, AND AT THE DISCRETION OF THE TRUSTEES ANNUALLY INDEXED TO MAINTAIN ITS REAL VALUE - INCOME IS TO BE APPLIED TO ASSIST THE POOR AND NEEDY ANYWHERE IN AUSTRALIA”

Florence E Challenger Poor of Melbourne Trust

“BEQUEST TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE POOR IN THE CITY OF MELBOURNE AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS.”

Social Service Committee Policy for Grants

1.0 Application Criteria

- 1.1 Contact information
- 1.2 An extracted minute from the session describing the nature of the assistance and confirming the person assisted is associated with their congregation.
- 1.3 Financial Eligibility Criteria
- 1.4 Size of the Grant
- 1.5 Bank information for transfer of funds

2.0 Eligibility Criteria

- 2.1 A person/s from a Presbyterian congregation

3.0 Availability of Funds

- 3.1 In the event of multiple applications in a single year the Committee will seek to distribute funds equitably across the state so that eligible people of each congregation have the possibility of benefiting particularly favouring congregations with fewer financial resources.

Bequest Policies

Women

Brocklesby 'Anna M White' Women's Rest Home Trust

"A capital sum of \$39,150 was endowed to the PCV Trust Corporation. The income is to be used for the care, comfort and benefit of protestant women resident in Victoria who are in genuine need."

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- 1.2 An extracted minute from the session describing the nature of the assistance and confirming the person assisted is associated with their congregation.
- 1.3 Financial Eligibility Criteria
- 1.4 Size of the Grant
- 1.5 Bank information for transfer of funds

2.0 Eligibility Criteria

- 2.1 A woman/women from a Presbyterian congregation
- 2.2 The term woman is used in the light of the PCV statement on 'Marriage, gender and Sexuality' (2019)

3.0 Availability of Funds

- 3.1 In the event of multiple applications in a single year the Committee will seek to distribute funds equitably across the state so that eligible women of each congregation have the possibility of benefiting particularly favouring congregations with fewer financial resources.