

## 2020 Apportionments

The Council on Finance and Administration (CFA) recognizes the impact that the pandemic is having on local churches in the Virginia Conference. After meeting over the last week, CFA is responding by prioritizing the apportionments for 2020 in an effort to relieve the impact our local churches are experiencing. By prioritizing apportionments, this will allow churches to pay the critical and essential amounts to support the Virginia Conference clergy and connection. CFA has divided apportionments into "Priority 1," making up 72.77% of the total apportionment with the remainder categorized as "Priority 2." Local churches will be asked to first pay into Priority 1, and they will be considered having paid 100% of the 2020 apportionment if the Priority 1 amount is paid in full. CFA is encouraging churches to pay into Priority 2 as their financial situation allows. The overall Conference Apportionments for 2020 have not changed, just strategically prioritized.

### Details

The 2020 Conference Apportionments of \$31,450,000 are prioritized in two categories:

Priority 1	\$22,885,000	72.77%
Priority 2	8,565,000	27.23%
Total	\$31,450,000	100.00%

Priority 1 represents the critical and essential ministries of the conference:

1. Clergy benefits will continue with no cuts to benefits
2. Clergy credentialing and supervision of clergy were given a high priority
3. The ministries and administration that support local churches were emphasized

We recognize ministries which were placed in Priority 2 are important and CFA hopes that churches that are able will continue to support these ministries to the extent their finances allow.

Existing 2020 grant commitments awarded to churches and new faith communities, including Equitable Compensation, will be honored.

Churches will be considered having paid 100% of the 2020 apportionment if the Priority 1 amount is paid in full. Churches must pay 100% of Priority 1 before contributions will be allocated to Priority 2. All contributions already received by the Treasurer's Office for 2020 will be re-allocated based on the new categorization.

Churches and local treasurers will see this change reflected on their March apportionment statements, which will be sent in early April. The online payment website, [www.vaumcpayapp.org](http://www.vaumcpayapp.org), will be down for a brief period to implement these changes.

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