



# MAKING WAVES

*Financial Information*

## NOTE FROM CRAIG

WE have made many waves over our first eighteen years. During the next two years, WE have a big, wave-making goal: to be debt-free on our 20th birthday in the fall of 2026. In doing this, WE will eliminate paying principal reduction and interest to the bank and be able to invest more in ministry and missions in our rapidly growing area. Look at these pages, pray, set your giving goal, and bring your giving goal card to worship on Sunday, November 24th, as we prepare for the next twenty years together.



# FINANCIAL PLAN FOR MINISTRIES

## Generosity Review

Fall 2012	<i>WE Imagine</i>	\$1,232,142
Fall 2015	<i>From the Ground Up</i>	\$2,336,426
Fall 2018	<i>Create a Ripple</i>	\$2,015,896
Fall 2021	<i>Welcome Home</i>	\$2,829,525

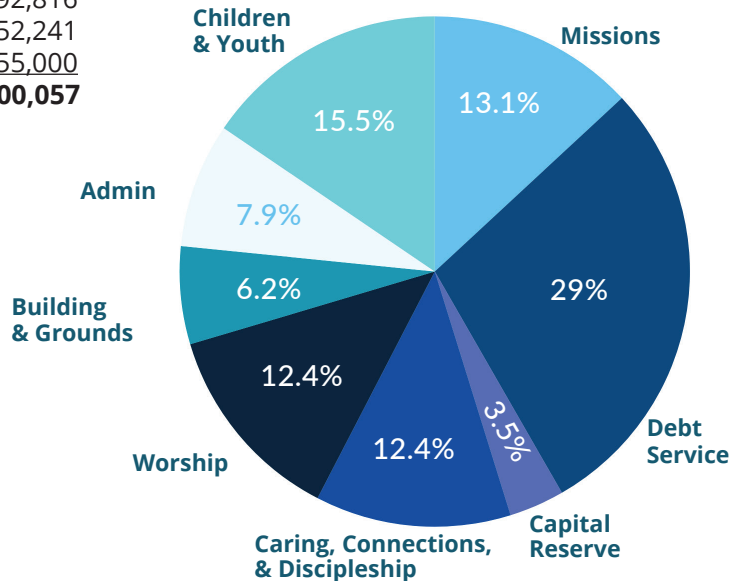
2019 Annual Giving	\$1,079,594
2020 Annual Giving	\$1,175,161
2021 Annual Giving	\$1,324,115
2022 Annual Giving	\$1,509,469
2023 Annual Giving	\$1,662,841
2024 Annual Giving*	\$1,845,200

2025 Annual Giving**	\$1,992,816
2026 Annual Giving**	\$2,152,241
<u>Total to eliminate debt***</u>	<u>\$1,855,000</u>
<b>Giving Goal for 2025 and 2026</b>	<b>\$6,000,057</b>

\*Based on the first nine months of 2024

\*\*Projected increase of 8%

\*\*\*\$1,730,000 principal + \$125,000 interest





# *two year* GIFT CHART

As you pray how God is asking you to give during this time, use this gift chart as a discipleship tool. Let it be something that inspires and challenges you toward greater generosity for Christ's Kingdom.

# of Gifts Needed	Two Year Gift Level	Annual Gift	Monthly Gift	Weekly Gift Total
1	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$12,500	\$2,884
2	\$225,000	\$112,500	\$9,375	\$2,163
3	\$150,000	\$75,000	\$6,250	\$1,442
4	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$4,167	\$961
5	\$75,000	\$37,500	\$3,125	\$721
6	\$60,000	\$30,000	\$2,500	\$576
7	\$48,000	\$24,000	\$2,000	\$461
11	\$36,000	\$18,000	\$1,500	\$346
15	\$30,000	\$15,000	\$1,250	\$577
19	\$24,000	\$12,000	\$1,000	\$288
22	\$18,000	\$9,000	\$750	\$173
25	\$15,000	\$7,500	\$625	\$144
27	\$12,000	\$6,000	\$500	\$115
29	\$9,600	\$4,800	\$400	\$92
34	\$7,200	\$3,600	\$300	\$69
39	\$4,800	\$2,400	\$200	\$46
51	\$2,400	\$1,200	\$100	\$23

**Total Goal: \$6,000,000**

# Creative ways to

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## Qualified Charitable Distributions

For those aged 70 ½ and older, making tax-favorable charitable gifts from IRA accounts is possible. This is known as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). A total of up to \$105,000 per year can be transferred directly from IRAs to a qualified charity, such as our church, free from federal income tax. There may also be state income tax savings.

Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) are the minimum amounts you must withdraw from your retirement accounts each year. You generally must start taking withdrawals from your traditional IRA, SEP IRA, SIMPLE IRA, and retirement plan accounts when you reach age 73.

A QCD can help meet your RMD requirement. By giving all or part of your RMD, you can practice generosity and benefit from substantial tax savings. Many of our donors in this age group are giving from their RMD.

To donate from an IRA, it is important to donate directly from the IRA to the church.

Contact your tax professional or financial planner if you have questions.

## Appreciated Stock

WE accept stocks and other securities. Like the RMDs noted on this page, many have found tax savings through this giving option—contact [jennie@weomaha.com](mailto:jennie@weomaha.com) for information on transferring stock to the church.

## Checks

Checks can be placed in the offering boxes before or after worship on Sundays or during regular business hours. Checks can also be mailed to:

*The Water's Edge Church  
19600 Harrison Street  
Gretna, NE 68028*



*through generosity*

***WE are asking each family to complete a Giving Goal Card and bring it to worship on Sunday, November 24th.***

During our past capital campaigns, we have asked donors to continue their regular annual giving and make a separate commitment to the land and buildings. Our debt is now part of our annual budget. The ministry, missions, and debt elimination are all part of the same vision, so all giving will now go into a single fund.

WE are asking families to set a ***giving goal*** to fund ministry and missions in 2025 and 2026 and to eliminate our debt.

### **My Making Waves Giving Goal**

***2025 Annual Giving***

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***2026 Annual Giving***

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***Debt Elimination***

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**Two-Year Giving Goal**

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