

In the past year, the Investment Mission Group has met and discussed the management of the Consolidated Investment Fund (CIF). Participation in the fund was originally offered to all churches and organizations related to the Conference and UCC. Pursuant to these discussions, a full review of all funds currently included in the CIF was done. This review noted that some churches and organizations have since moved away from the UCC and the NH Conference, and the Investment Mission Group decided that these organizations should find alternative investment vehicles for their funds. For related entities, a new Participant Agreement was created and recently mailed out to all churches and organizations. The Investment Mission Group has asked that these forms be signed and returned directly to the NH Conference UCC for our files.

**The NH Conference Finance Officer, Lydia Frasca, has been receiving calls questioning whether these new Participant Agreements need to be returned to the NH Conference as the investment funds were transferred to the CT Conference in 2016. The answer is “YES”.** The NH CIF was indeed transferred to the CT Conference when the CT Conference was chosen as manager of the funds. The NH CIF still exists as a collection of investments separate from the CT Conference Trust Fund. In reviewing their investment funds and the new Participant Agreement, each organization will have an opportunity to update contact information for the CIF.

Another question has surfaced regarding trusts that are held by the NH Conference. These will continue to be administered by the Conference per the original agreements created by contract or will.

The Investment Mission Group meets on a quarterly basis and reviews the results of the funds managed by the CT conference and invested with Atlantic Funds based in Portland, ME. The investments are typically split 70% / 30% in the Total Return Fund and Eden Fund. These funds adhere to Socially Responsible Investment guidelines and are chosen for long-term investment strategies. Participants in the CIF can request paperless statements and can view their funds activity on-line. Visit the CIF website at [www.ctucc.org/cifnh](http://www.ctucc.org/cifnh) to learn more.