

Liberty Road Property FAQ

Provided through the Capital Campaign Communication Team

Questions from the Church

Q. Why are we building a new facility?

A: In the present facilities, we are at full capacity. To have a greater impact on our larger community we need larger facilities.

Q. When do we anticipate moving to the new Church?

A: First we need to position the church to move forward - including paying down the existing mortgage and having cash available to begin construction. Also having a buyer for our current facilities (see below) excluding the Crossbar.

Q. Will we sell existing buildings?

A: Eventually our plan is to sell our current worship facility, the OR Hall, and the parking lot. We plan to keep the Crossbar.

Q. How much do we expect to borrow?

A: Before we even consider how much we will borrow, we need to first pay off the existing mortgage and have cash on hand to start work on the new property. The eventual mortgage on the new facility, if needed, will not be more than the church body can handle.

Q. What assets do we have now?

A: Our current church, OR Hall, Crossbar, Parking Lot, and 30 acres on Liberty Road.

Q. How much do we need to raise and how long do we have to raise the amount?

A: The capital campaign's first goal is to pay off the existing mortgage - about \$880,000. The second goal will be to have cash available to begin site work on the property. We need to raise about \$2,000,000 to pay off the current mortgage and have funds to begin preparing the site. The capital campaign will be conducted over a three-year period.

Q. What will the new building look like?

A: See design renderings

Q. Do we have a copy of the Floor plans to share?

A: See design renderings subject to modifications as we progress with the capital campaign.

Q. How much Space will there be for things other than the Sanctuary? Kitchen, class rooms, etc.?

A: At this time the first phase will have about 23,500 square feet. Our current facilities have about 12,000 square feet.

Q. How would this compare to what we currently have?

A: Our current church facilities and OR Hall contain about 12,000 square feet. The Crossbar is about 4,300 square feet.

Q. How much money will need to be raised?

A: Difficult to answer since we do not know how much we can sell our current facilities for.

Q. How much do we owe on the mortgage, lawyer, and CIF?

A: We owe about \$800,000 for the mortgage, the lawyer, and CIF.

Q. How much is the estimated cost of the first two phases of the construction?

A: First we need to work toward positioning ourselves for completion of Phase 1. It is too early to assess what Phase 2 will be.

Q. Do we have a Clear and Compelling Vision for why we are moving?

A: Yes, please see PAC's mission and vision statement.

Q. Is there Unity of Church Leadership? (Pastoral team, Elders, Governing Board, etc.)

A: Yes, the Church Leadership has unity on our Mission and Vision. This mission and vision will be clearly articulated in during our capital campaign over the next six months.

Q. What are our plans for infrastructure to support the Growth?

Stewardship Practices

Organizational Structure

A: Stewardship Practices are being addressed in the capital campaign. Organizational Structures will need to be addressed by leadership over the next several years as we position our selves for greater impact in our congregation and community.

Anticipated Questions

Q. Why is now the time for ministry expansion?

A: Approval by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in January 2015 does dictate a ten-year window. We need to begin moving forward now to position ourselves for this ministry expansion.

Q. What are the major components of the project?

A: This will be addressed as we work through the phases. First phase is to pay down the mortgage, then site plan work.

Q. What is the timeline for completion?

A: As noted above we have eight and a half years to begin construction as approved by DEP.

Q. I have some ideas, questions and/or feedback How do I share those?

A: Share with members of the Elders, the Building Committee, or the Capital Campaign Committee.

Q. How will this expansion affect the use of our current facility?

A: Eventually our current facility, OR Building, and parking lot will most likely be sold. The Crossbar will be retained.

Q. Does this new location fill our need for more meeting space?

A: We believe it will. Phase 1 on the new site will have at least 23,500 square feet. Our current buildings are about 12,000SF

Q. What were the milestones along the way that led you to believe that God was providing this opportunity to Phillipsburg CMA Church?

A: See the Pastor's statement on "God's Story In Phillipsburg"

Q. Describe the facilities planned for the Liberty Road property.

A: See the renderings. Available for viewing by appointment with Pastor Randy.

Q. Why should I give to the Liberty Road Project?

A: As you understand the greater impact that our church can have with our mortgage paid off, which will save annual mortgage payments, and eventually expanded facilities, we believe you will be moved by the Holy Spirit to say, yes - I want to see God's Kingdom expanded through our church in the greater Phillipsburg and Easton areas.

Q. How is giving to Liberty Road different from the regular offering?

A: Giving to capital campaign is a three-year pledge and is over and above the regular general fund offering.

Q. What is the church's policy on capital expansion debt?

A: There is no set policy on this. However, church leadership will not take on a larger mortgage than the church can handle.

Q. Can the church afford to take this on during the current economic climate?

A: Church leadership is viewing this capital campaign as a means to complement the mission and vision of the church. We view this capital campaign as a means of positioning the church for a greater impact in the future.

Fellow Church members and attenders,

It is the desire of your Church leadership (Pastors and Elders) as well as the Capital Campaign Team to provide any and all answers to possible questions that may arise during this Capital Campaign.

We hope we have done so in this FAQ. If any additional questions arise as we continue through this campaign please do not hesitate to speak with any Pastor, Elder or member of the Capital Campaign team.

The communication team will continue to provide the church body here at Phillipsburg Alliance with ongoing information regarding the campaign progress. Future communication will be through the church bulletin, hand outs, power point projection, newsletter, church website, multi-media avenues, and announcements from the pulpit.

God Bless you all for your participation and support of the growth of God's Kingdom through Phillipsburg Alliance Church.