

Your Planned Giving to Southwark Cathedral



We are humbled by the support received during the Covid-19 pandemic, and thankful for donations from so many in our congregation. We could not survive without your generous financial commitment.

> Yet further support is needed to sustain the work of the Cathedral. The Cathedral's finances have been badly affected by the pandemic, and have faced huge challenges since the initial closure of the Cathedral in March 2020. The Cathedral incurred a deficit last year of £93,386. This year, the Cathedral is projected to incur a deficit of £135,058. We have cut costs by leaving vacancies unfilled, furloughing staff, and by making several office roles redundant.

We ask you to consider reviewing your planned giving to the Cathedral, so that we can expand and continue our mission and ministry and achieve our Masterplan objectives of making the Cathedral more accessible.

What we are doing and how you can help

We are working hard to return to financial sustainability. However, the coming year will be extremely challenging – as Covid-19 funding and grants subside – and your giving is more vital than ever before.

Financial support secured

- Cathedrals Sustainability Fund grants for staff salaries and lay clerk fees
- Staff furloughed under the Coronavirus
 Job Retention Scheme
- Music funding from the Cathedral Choirs' Emergency Fund
- Funding from the Culture Recovery Fund for fabric repair, access improvements, staff salaries and running costs

How you can help

We realise many have been affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. However – if you can – please consider reviewing your planned giving in support of Southwark Cathedral.

Your help will make a real difference, and with your support we will be able to:

- Rebuild and reimagine our ministry following the Covid-19 pandemic
- Encourage older people, families and young people back into the Cathedral
- Renew signage and wayfinding to make the Cathedral more accessible and dementia-friendly

Ways to help

- Consider whether you can increase the level of your current giving through the Planned Giving Scheme.
- Consider joining the Planned Giving Scheme if you have not yet done so (by completing a Confidential Response Form).
- Complete a Gift Aid Declaration if you are a UK taxpayer.
- Leave a gift in your Will to support the future of Southwark Cathedral.
- To discuss your Planned Giving or gifts in Wills, please contact cathedral. finance@southwark.anglican.org, your Chapter lay representatives Amanda Adamson-Hill and Helen Quintrell, or your Cathedral Wardens Daniel Chumbley and Linda Hutchinson.

Thank you

During these challenging times we have been overwhelmed by the level of encouragement and support from the congregation. We are extremely grateful for the substantial support we continue to receive from each of you for the mission and ministry of the Cathedral.