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Program of Events



AGENDA

MONDAY OCTOBER 10

10:00 am - 3:00 pm	Registration Open	4th Floor
10:00 am - 1:00 pm	Executive Committee Meeting & Lunch	Concepcion - 2nd Floor
1:30 pm - 2:45 pm	Orientation for New Members	Concepcion - 2nd Floor
1:30 pm - 2:45 pm	Comptrollers/Treasurers/CFOs	El Conde/La Condesa - 3rd Floor
1:30 pm - 2:45 pm	Stewardship /Learning Leaders	Boardroom - 2nd Floor
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Broadening Our Relationships (<i>Andy Hendren</i>)	Veramendi - 4th Floor
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Welcome Reception & Opening Dinner	Biga on the Banks

Welcome Reception - Sponsored by Stellar Technologies

Opening Dinner - Sponsored by The Humphrey-Kelly Group—Bank of America/Merrill Lynch

TUESDAY OCTOBER 11

7:30 am - 10:00 am	Registration Open	4th Floor
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast	Madero - 5th Floor
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Welcome & Worship (<i>Bishop Robert Schnase, San Antonio Area</i>)	Iberian - 5th Floor
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Dr. Sidney Williams, CEO, Crossing Capital Group	Iberian - 5th Floor
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Break - Network & Connect	Iberian Foyer - 5th Floor
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Table Discussion	Iberian - 5th Floor
11:30 am - 1:00 pm	Jurisdictional Lunches	SC-Madero B, SE-Madero A - 5th Floor NC-El Conde/La Condesa, NE-San Jose, WE-Los Hidalgos - 3rd Floor
1:30 pm - 4:15 pm	Round Robin Ministry Sharing (See handout) Session 1: 1:30 pm - 2:15 pm Session 2: 2:30 pm - 3:15 pm Session 3: 3:30 pm - 4:15 pm	
4:15 pm - 4:30 pm	Wrap-up	Iberian - 5th Floor
	Open evening	

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 12

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast	Madero - 5th Floor
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Worship and Jim Argue Award Presentation	Iberian - 5th Floor
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Chris Seals, Co-Founder and CEO, Still Austin	Iberian - 5th Floor
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Break - Network & Connect	Iberian Foyer - 5th Floor
10:30 am - 11:15 am	Table Discussion	Iberian - 5th Floor
11:30 am - 1:00 pm	Lunch	Madero - 5th Floor
1:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Business Session and Adjournment	Iberian - 5th Floor
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Social Hour and Dinner	Madero - 5th Floor

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2022 HOST FOUNDATIONS

On behalf of the South Central Jurisdiction, welcome to San Antonio! We're glad you've joined us for the 2022 NAUMF Annual Meeting.

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2022 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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OPENING NIGHT

NAUMF will kick-off officially at **Biga on the Banks** Monday evening starting at 6:00 pm. The restaurant entrance is located inside the International Center. While both the hotel and restaurant are located on The Riverwalk, see the walking map below to navigate the shorter street-level route to the entrance.

6:00 pm Welcome Reception on the Terrace

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7:00 pm Opening Dinner

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BIGA ON THE BANKS

203 St. Mary's St., San Antonio, TX 78205

WALKING DIRECTIONS

From hotel, turn left (west) on College St. toward St. Mary's.
Turn left (south) on St. Mary's and continue a few blocks to Int'l Center.



The San Antonio River Walk Association (SARWA) Member Map - Data pulled March 2020

EXPLORE SAN ANTONIO

We encourage you to enjoy the beauty and local culture of San Antonio!



THE RIVER WALK

Sightseeing, shopping, food, and fun. All on a world-renowned 15-mile urban waterway. The River Walk, or Paseo del Rio, is a San Antonio treasure and the largest urban ecosystem in the nation. Explore by foot along the river's walking path or jump aboard a river barge for a ride and guided tour.

NEARBY ATTRACTIONS

Explore nearby attractions like **the Alamo**, the **King William Historic District**, or the **River Walk Public Art Garden**. Shop local favorites along the river's Museum Reach at the **historic Pearl**. While at Pearl, dine and drink al fresco at The Food Hall at Bottling Department.

Further south, immerse yourself in history at our **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, and **San Antonio Missions National Historical Park**, along the Mission Reach.

San Antonio Digital Visitors Guide

<https://www.visitsanantonio.com/official-visitors-guide-digital>

The Alamo

<https://www.thealamo.org/visit/tours-and-experiences>

Narrated Riverboat Cruises

<https://www.goriocruises.com/Cruises/Soul-of-San-Antonio-Narrated-Cruise>

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3 Steps to Accelerate Foundation Growth

Rethink, Reset and Reinvent



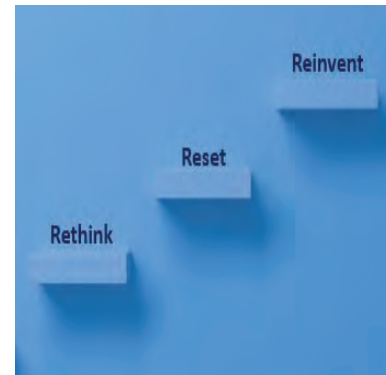
If the **recent challenges** have taught us anything, it is the need for philanthropic services are growing each day. Given this, it is time to find better ways to keep up with donor and grant making demands to support our mission and causes. Even the most prepared foundations are finding themselves in need of additional assistance. **Strategies vary by organization**; some are focused on short-term needs with **point solutions**. Proceed with caution, this often leads to suboptimal results adding costs and complexity, without solving the underlying problems. Others have chosen a different path with a more holistic approach. However you get there, **it is incumbent upon each of us to grow** to create a bigger impact.

How to Get There

The following 3 steps create a framework that will help you reshape your own unique path and gain an advantage to accelerate growth.

Rethink - Start with the End in Mind

Think strategically across all your business touchpoints from your donors to stakeholder constituencies on the front-end to your back-office staff and processes. Ask yourself where do I want to be? Get smart by researching and educating yourself on the possibilities. Start with the end in mind by envisioning your future state. What would my foundation look like? What are my unique strengths and differentiators? What do I need to change?



Reset - Tear Down the Silos & Untangle the Data

Foundations are often trapped in a myriad of dated and/or siloed technologies that do not communicate with each other, and each having its own database. It is difficult to track and untangle the data duplicated many times in databases, data repositories and spreadsheets throughout the organization. While these siloed, individual components may appear to be less expensive, or at least less expensive when you purchase them, total cost of ownership mounts over time and is normally higher due to complexities and redundancies in the systems. Take an inventory and do a gap analysis of your systems, capabilities, capacity, redundancies, business requirements, then look to simplify, automate, and...

Reinvent - Build from a Core Enterprise Platform

No matter what markets and causes you serve, core enterprise solutions built with deep domain expertise are historically faster, smarter, more agile and a better fit for your overall organization. Find a purpose-built, web-based enterprise Philanthropic Fiduciary solution that fits your business vision. A solution that provides a 24x7, personalized client and constituencies experience, participant accounting for subaccount transaction processing with daily NAV, unitization, rebalancing, financial services levels of security, real-time analytics reporting. Look for a vendor with deep Philanthropic Fiduciary experience that has successfully done this many times and can partner with you to future proof your organization.

Go Ahead...

Reinvent to accelerate growth focusing on donor, mission, and impact. Start today to rethink with the end in mind. **Reset** to untangle your data and systems. There is a clear path forward. It is up to you to take those first steps.



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What institutional clients need

- Objective perspective, advice and a customized approach that are integrated with their organizations’ goals
 - An understanding of their unique needs, objectives and preferences through a robust discovery process
 - Consultants who provide access to advice driven by the client’s objectives and award-winning research¹
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- Broad array of customizable product and potential institutional investment solutions to help meet their unique needs
 - Assistance meeting spending objectives and helping to manage risk without compromising principles
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- Institutional investment solutions**
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2022 JIM ARGUE MEMORIAL AWARD

THE AWARD



James B. "Jim" Argue Jr. was a dedicated United Methodist pastor and public servant. Before becoming the longest-serving president of the United Methodist Foundation of Arkansas, he spent 18 years in public service with the Arkansas State Legislature, largely advocating for effective educational reform to better serve the whole community.

Jim passed away May 3, 2018 as "committed, tenacious, and unwavering in his successful efforts towards major school reforms and improvements. Whether it was education, healthcare, or families facing poverty and food insecurity, Jim could be relied upon to create or support greater opportunities for all children."

Jim Argue was a beloved member of NAUMF for many years due in part to his tireless efforts to make the world a better place. A few years ago, NAUMF chose to honor his life-long contributions by awarding a worthy nonprofit with a group donation made in his memory. This year's recipient shares Jim's heart for serving others and his appreciation for the power of education.

THE RECIPIENT

Magdalena House is a neighborhood of transitional homes in San Antonio that serves mothers and their children who have fled dangerous and abusive lives. Utilizing a dual-generation approach, we provide safe shelter, basic needs, educational programming, and therapeutic services.

The mothers who come to us seek safety, healing, and hope for a new beginning for themselves and their children. Magdalena House empowers these families to transform their lives. Mothers must participate in accredited education such as ESL, GED, or college. Families stay with us for several years until the mothers complete their educational goals. Families rediscover forgotten strength and develop new skills to help them flourish. During their time at Magdalena House, families participate in counseling, parenting programs, life enrichment classes, financial planning, spiritual formation, and compassionate community living. Children thrive in this stable, loving environment. Mothers develop the social, educational, and financial skills needed to ensure physical, economic, and spiritual well-being for themselves and their families.

We began with a single home and have since purchased and developed our property into a five-acre gated neighborhood, opened two new homes and Family Wellness Center, and have refurbished our original home. Our future includes an Empowerment Center for resident services and 3 additional homes.



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FEATURED SPEAKER

Rev. Dr. Sidney Williams

CEO, Crossing Capital Group



For more than thirty years, Rev. Dr. Sidney S. Williams, Jr. has led diverse efforts to provide access to capital to marginalized communities. In 1990, he was the first graduate of the Howard University School of Business to be recruited by Goldman Sachs. While employed on Wall Street, he advised c-suite level executives of Fortune 500 companies in a variety of industries. In 2008, Dr. Williams pioneered a collaborative model for social impact, F.I.S.H., providing access to capital for anchor institutions serving marginalized communities. Most recently he served as the interim Chief Financial Officer of the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia.

Dr. Williams is recognized as a visionary and as a transformational leader among community stakeholders and financial institutions. He currently serves as an independent director for Valley National Bank as well as advises several non-profit organizations, privately held middle-market companies and start-up ventures. Dr. Williams' scholarship is focused primarily on an interdisciplinary approach to understanding how theological and marketplace frameworks interact — and more significantly, how they should interact. He has published dozens of articles and two books - *Morning Meditations: 100 Days to Believing You're Successful* and *Fishing Differently: Ministry Formation in the Marketplace*. In addition to serving as CEO of the Crossing Capital Group, Dr. Williams is also currently pastoring the Bethel Church of Morristown, New Jersey.



FEATURED SPEAKER

Chris Seals

Founder / CEO, Still Austin

Chris Seals has lived all over Texas. He moved to Austin in 1993 and fell in love with the beauty, creativity, and inclusiveness of the city. For most of his career Chris worked as an economist in sustainable development prioritizing efforts to protect the environment.

In 2013 his father approached him with the idea of opening a whiskey distillery together. While he liked the idea of opening a whiskey distillery, he loved the idea of building a closer relationship with his dad. Together with his father and others, Seals co-founded Still Austin Whiskey Company with a vision to make a bourbon whiskey that is a genuine expression of the spirit of Austin, Texas.

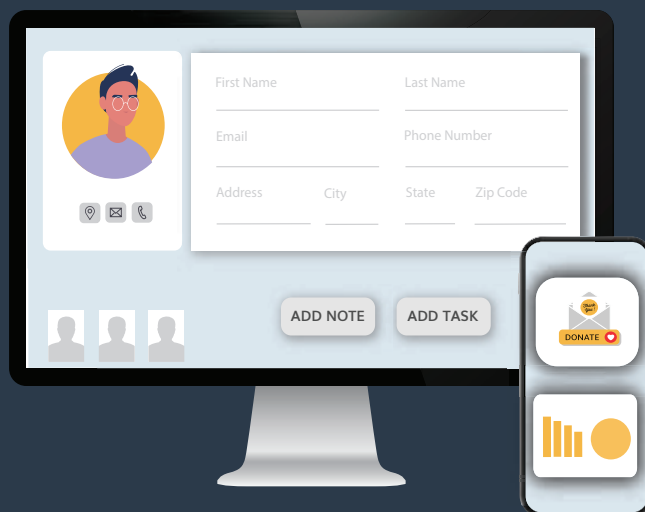
Today, the distillery operates a zero-waste facility that donates spent grains back to farmers to feed their cattle, and it reuses water to maximize energy efficiency. Still Austin also carries a firm commitment to support local farms by purchasing 100% of grains from Texas farmers.

Seals grew up in a family that valued creative expression, excellence, and individuality. That commitment to excellence and individuality can be seen in Still Austin's one-of-a-kind 42-ft tall Scottish-made still, which is the only of its kind in North America. Still Austin also uses a rare and labor-intensive process of slow water reduction while the barrels of bourbon mature. The process is a labor of love that few distilleries choose to undertake - but results in the highest quality of spirit.

Giving back is also in Seals' and Still Austin's DNA. Chris is active in the company's support of the community with everything from emergency assistance (hand sanitizer, supplying water during the big freeze, etc.), to charitable giving of several local organizations like the Health Alliance for Austin Musicians (HAAM). Additionally, he's always willing to assist other Founders and CEOs gain access to capital.



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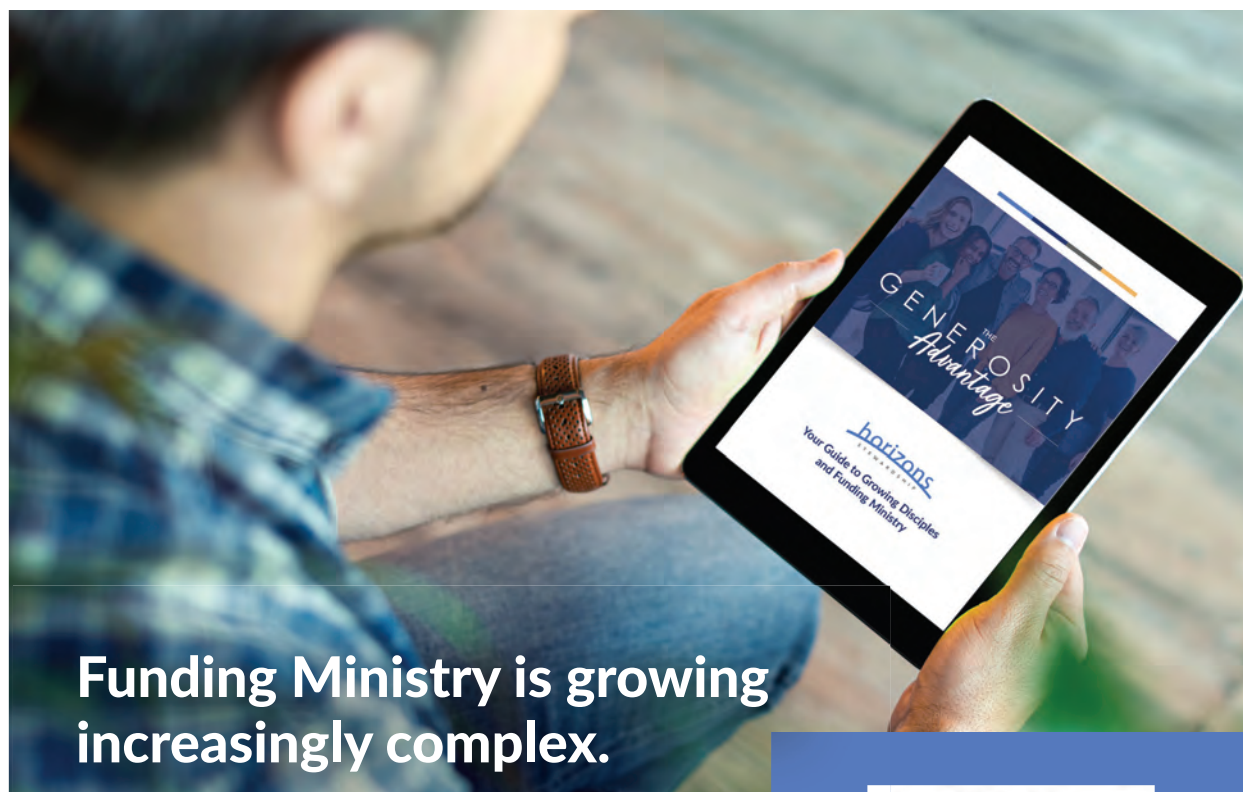
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The Generosity Advantage

Since 2009, the American economy has enjoyed a season of tremendous growth and prosperity. The stock market increased by a whopping 524%, interest rates remained stable and largely at historic lows, inflation averaged a scant 1.8%, and Americans increased charitable giving by over 36%.

2022 has ushered in a new season marked by high levels of inflation and the largest rise in interest rates in over 20 years aimed at slowing economic growth. The Federal Reserve Bank has warned to expect more increases. The stock market has lost significant ground since the beginning of the year in response to this changing financial landscape. I am encouraging all church leaders to educate themselves on the impact these changes will have on your ability to fund ministry in 2022 and beyond.

Here are a few key points that you should be focused on:

- Simply doing what you did last year is already costing more in 2022. Prices are increasing at a rate of 4.6 times faster than over the last 12 years.
- Giving will need to increase by more than 8% this year, at the current rate of inflation, just to maintain the same level of ministry you provided in 2021.
- If your church has debt, when your interest rate adjusts, you will experience the double bind of higher debt payments on top of rapidly increasing ministry funding costs.
- While the amount Americans give continues to climb, churches experienced decline in inflation adjusted dollars in the last reported giving period of 2020. Over the last 50 years, the percentage of Americans giving to religion has fallen by half, and the pace of decline is growing each year primarily because our most capable donors are shifting more of their giving to organizations they perceive are more effective.
- In response, leaders need to identify and implement a reliable year-round generosity development strategy to grow ministry funding by 10% or more in the coming year to ensure you remain on sound financial footing.

In most cases, when a church in financial crisis engages Horizons to guide them to a solution, the underlying issues were both identifiable and predictable in a season when the church had the time and financial resources to avoid the crisis.

Now is the time to look at your financial health. Doing so will allow you to plan and adjust to the rising ministry costs without taking aggressive cost-cutting measures.

By scanning the QR code you can read the pages of our new magazine, The Generosity Advantage. We hope it will spark new ideas and help you ask better questions about how you can fund more ministry and grow more disciples.



HOW TO BENEFIT FROM DENOMINATIONAL DISRUPTION

Disruptions are never easy. Most people prefer the known versus the unknown. Most people prefer to use the same processes and procedures instead of having to develop new ones. Hardy Reed gets that, but we have found that disruptions also present us with some great opportunities for growth. If we were just a money manager like most firms that want your business, then that might not be true. But Hardy Reed is more than a money manager. We are a fiduciary management firm that deals in investments. As such, Hardy Reed helps our clients create Definable, Defendable, and Repeatable processes that keep foundations on the right track no matter what is going on in their world.

United Methodist Foundations are clearly dealing with a generational disruption that may split the denomination. What does that mean to your current church clients? What does that mean to the growth of your Foundation?

One United Methodist Foundation we work with has seen a lot of growth during this time of denominational disruption. What are they doing that is different? They worked hard to get their CEFEX certification. They learned that while most consultants focus on manager selection, a best of class fiduciary process will focus an investment committee on the parts of their process that really matter to their long-term success. Although manager selection is important, according to the Center for Fiduciary Studies, in the hierarchy of investment decision-making it comes in a low 7th in importance to other factors often not addressed by investment committees. A CEFEX Certified foundation must prove its use of and compliance with fiduciary best practices every year. CEFEX Certification keeps your foundation on track.

The Center for Financial Planning & Investments studied the fi360 Fiduciary Score® and found that funds scoring in the top quartile (green) provide, on average, higher future investment returns, reduced risk, and more consistency compared to other funds. It appears that Best Practices produce better results.

One potent example of how a fiduciary process can make a difference happened this past year. A key fiduciary duty is to only pay reasonable costs, which can be hard to analyze. You are required to know ALL of your investment related expenses and how those costs compare to your peers. Hardy Reed helped a United Methodist foundation complete a request for proposal. Two often used investment advisors within the UMF circle competed. Both investment advisors proposed fees were more than double the amount of the winning nationally recognized investment advisor. A fiduciary best practice is to review fees every year to ensure and document that you are paying reasonable fees for the services you receive.

Your foundation can thrive in periods of disruption by implementing fiduciary best practices. As a CEFEX Certified firm for the past eleven years, Hardy Reed's goal is to help you by:

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Ask The Expert: Cyber Security

From the UMIP Church Protection Connection monthly newsletter

Churches are a safe place for your congregation – spiritually and physically. But there are dangers. Your church's cyber space is one place bad people want to invade.

It only takes one, often unintentional, click to expose your church to ransomware and other threats to your cyberspace. To protect your church, make sure all people who use the church's desktops, tablets, and mobile devices follow a few simple procedures. Here are some basic steps you can take to help protect your church from cybercrimes.

- Realize phishing is the number one attack vector for the distribution of malware. You will get an email, a text message or even a Facebook message asking you to click on a link or open an attachment.
- You can get infected if you go to a questionable website or a website that has been infected with malicious code (This is called drive-by malware).
- Make sure your computer/smartphone/device is updated to the latest operating system and all applications are patched. Do not ignore your device when it says it needs to be updated.
- Reduce your attack surface on your device. Only allow trusted applications to run on your device. Beware of all the free software products that you never use. (This is called application whitelisting).
- Reduce admin rights for users. Admin rights allow users to install programs and malicious code. If your device asks you to enter your password to install or make changes to a program, you need to be careful.
- Take an inventory of who you are allowing onto your network and what they can access. Does the employee from three years ago still have Admin rights to your network? You do not want every employee to access everything on your network.
- Use two factor authentication on all remote access to your network, especially remote desktop protocol (RDP).
- Backing up is not enough ... make sure you test your backups and have a good restoration plan. Remember, if your network is infected with ransomware there is a good chance the Cybercriminals have also stolen your data.
- Educate yourself and your staff about the dangers of Ransomware and Cybercrime.
- Contact your local FBI Office if you are a victim or go to WWW.IC3.GOV

In addition, visit this helpful resource from the Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity, and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA):
www.cisa.gov/uscert/ncas/alerts/aa21-131a.

When's the best time to educate your church members on cyber security? Now. Whether you've never done this or did it two months ago, the ever-changing landscape of cybercrimes means we all must remain constantly vigilant to protect our people, our property, and our finances.

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How to Determine the Optimal OCIO Provider for You

What Is an OCIO?

An Outsourced Chief Investment Officer, or “OCIO,” is a service provider that performs investment management-related functions on behalf of its clients. This can include overall investment strategy implementation, asset allocation, investment manager selection and operation management. In a more traditional investment model, organizations are responsible for these investment functions, often performing them in-house. By contrast, the OCIO model sees third-party providers taking on many of investment decision-making responsibilities typically handled by an investment committee.

Organizations often choose the OCIO model to help cut costs, improve their investment program’s oversight and governance, benefit from their provider’s scale, and free up capacity to be redeployed in other areas of their business.

Interest in OCIO Services Is Growing

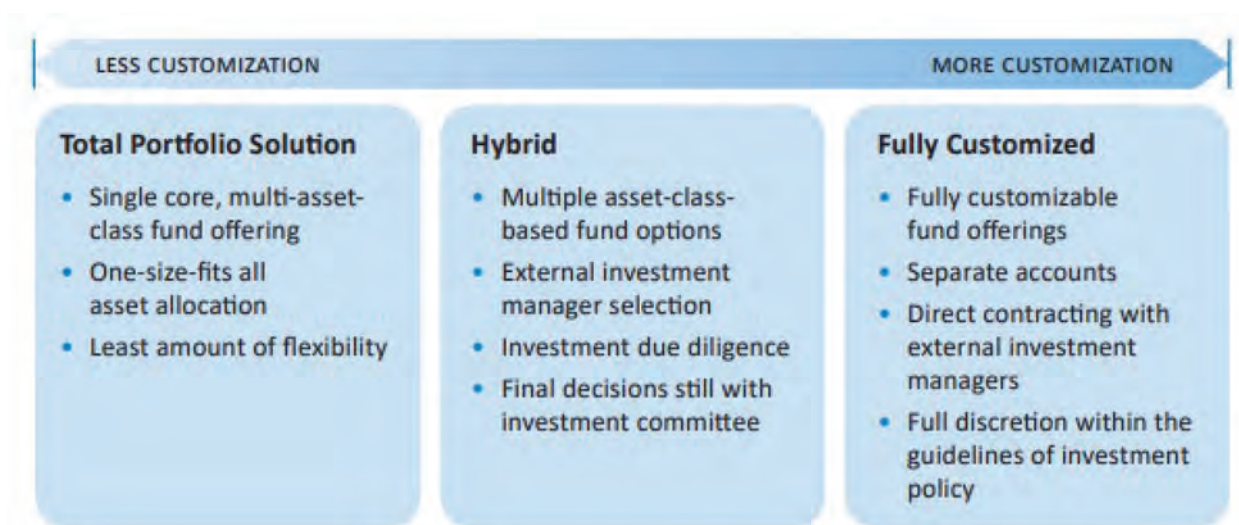
The OCIO model is gaining in popularity as more investment committees come to understand that having an investment partner that operates in a fiduciary capacity can increase the effectiveness of their investment programs. In addition, many organizations—especially those in the faith-based, not-for-profit world—do not have the resources to dedicate to complex investment decisions. An OCIO partner typically has a full investment team that can help with the involved tasks of an investment program, such as investment due diligence, governance and operational risk management. This gives organizations more time to focus on their missions.

Choosing an OCIO

Once an investment committee chooses to pursue the OCIO model, they must decide what “level” of OCIO services will address their investment needs. OCIOs exist in many forms, ranging from global banks and consultants to more boutique, niche providers. Each OCIO offers different options in terms of customization and breadth of service. There are three main OCIO offerings: Total Portfolio Solution, Fully Customized and Hybrid.

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Investment committees must select the OCIO solution that is right for their organization. It is important to define specific investment goals and think about what functions benefit most from outsourcing. Committees may also consider whether their own mission aligns with that of the OCIO.

Contact Us

If your United Methodist-related organization is considering switching to an OCIO model or changing its OCIO provider, Wespath Institutional Investments may be an option. To learn more about our services, please [visit our website](#) or email us at investmentinfo@wespath.org.



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