



HONORING OUR PAST BY BUILDING OUR FUTURE

## FAQs

### ABOUT THE CAMPAIGN

**What is the *Build New Hope* campaign?** The *Build New Hope* campaign is a three-year capital campaign dedicated to raising \$3 million (with a dream goal of \$4 million) for essential campus improvements and revitalization projects here at New Hope Church.

**What is the campaign's theme and tagline?** The campaign is named *Build New Hope* and our tagline is *Honoring Our Past by Building the Future*.

**How long will the campaign last?** This campaign runs from February 1, 2026 to February 2029.

### PURPOSE & PROJECTS

**Why is the kids' area a primary goal?** Kids are in the DNA of New Hope Church! We were founded 75 years ago specifically as a children's Sunday school for the Village of Crystal. Our commitment to the next generation is our historical heritage. This campaign allows us to transform our current facility to honor that past.

**What specific improvements are planned?**

- **A Modern, Safe Kids' Area and Family Center:** Our main goal is to transform the current lower level into a space defined by hospitality, security and brightness. Visit the [web page](#) for plans and updates.
- **Essential Building Maintenance Upgrades:** This includes replacing the elevator and installing a new roof for the Worship Center.
- **If the \$4 million Dream Goal Is Met:** Any funds received over the \$3 million goal will be allocated for Worship Center and technology improvements as well as replenishing the Capital Replacement Reserve (this is specifically for campus improvements).

**Why are these improvements necessary now?** Investing now is critical for long-term sustainability and ministry effectiveness. Our current roof and elevator are 40 years old and the lower level hasn't had a refresh in more than 40 years. Our commitment is to the next generation, ensuring we have a safe, welcoming and functional space that supports the growth of all our ministries for years to come.

**Will any of the funds go toward the general budget?** No. All funds raised through the *Build New Hope* campaign are restricted funds and used solely for the approved capital improvement projects.

**Will NHC be going into debt?** We will be securing a construction line of credit for the project to complete in a timely and efficient manner. As funds come in, the line of credit will be paid down. If the campaign goal is achieved, no loan will remain.

**What if the \$3 million goal is not met?** While we are confident in the generosity of our community, if we do not meet the \$3 million goal, the Elder Leadership Team will decide if it is most prudent to adjust the scope of the project to reduce the cost or extend short-term financing to complete the project.

## OUR CULTURE OF GENEROSITY

**How is New Hope Church building a culture of generosity?** Generosity is central to who we are! We celebrate it year-round through our monthly Generosity Moments on Sundays and through special initiatives like our annual Thanksgiving Offering. The *Build New Hope* campaign is an opportunity for us to practice radical generosity together, not just in our regular giving but in building for the future.

**What is the transformational part of generosity?** Generosity changes us—the givers—as much as it changes the community we serve. Generosity is not about the size of the gift, but the attitude of the heart. It's an act of worship and trust that shifts our focus from what we lack to the abundance we can share.

**I don't have much extra income. I'm not sure I can help financially—is that okay?** Absolutely! Your participation in the life of New Hope Church is what matters most. Not everyone will be able to participate financially in the campaign. Generosity is expressed in many ways—through your time, your service and your prayers. If you choose to give, we encourage you to pray about a gift that is sacrificial for you, no matter the amount.

## GIVING & INTENT

**Does *Build New Hope* replace my existing tithe?** No, it does not. The *Build New Hope* campaign is a special, above-and-beyond gift designated for capital improvements. Your regular tithes and offerings are essential for funding our daily operations, staff, current ministries, missions, and everything else that keeps New Hope running effectively each day. We ask that you continue your faithful, consistent giving in addition to your campaign intent.

**Does everyone need to participate?** Participation is entirely voluntary and should be a decision made through prayer and personal reflection. We encourage everyone to consider how they can contribute to the future of New Hope—whether it's through prayer, financial intent, or time and service.

**How can I participate in the campaign?** Participation involves prayer for the campaign's success and making a financial intent over the three-year period. Everyone is encouraged to participate at a level that is meaningful and sacrificial for them.

**How do I state my financial Intent?** You will be asked to complete an [Intent Form](#) (online or paper forms available) to help us plan the project timelines and financing.

**Can I fulfill my Intent in installments?** Yes, absolutely. Intentions can be fulfilled weekly, monthly, quarterly, annually or as a one-time gift. You can specify your preferred schedule on your Intent Form. A great way to give is by setting up recurring giving online.

**What types of gifts are accepted?** We accept gifts in the form of cash, checks, credit/debit card payments, securities, QCDs, or Crypto. For information on gifting non-cash assets, contact the Finance Team at [finance@newhopechurchmn.org](mailto:finance@newhopechurchmn.org).

**Is my Intent legally binding?** No. Your Intent is a good-faith intention and a decision made through prayer. It is not a legal contract. If you need to adjust your giving, contact the Finance Team.

## NEXT STEPS & CONTACT

**Where can I get more information?** Visit our dedicated campaign [web page](#).

**Who can I contact with questions?**

For any additional questions, contact Eric Marquardt at [insuranceeric@aol.com](mailto:insuranceeric@aol.com) or Pastor Matthew at [seniorpastor@newhopechurchmn.org](mailto:seniorpastor@newhopechurchmn.org).



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