











Extending Ministry Footprint through Building Use









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Why are Churches Expanding their Building's Usage

- Declining pledges
- Increased operating costs
- Maximize use of unoccupied buildings



Types of Extension Ministries

- Thrift Stores
- Sports Clubs
- Community classes
- Daycare/Preschool
- Community farming
- Shelters
- Soup Kitchens



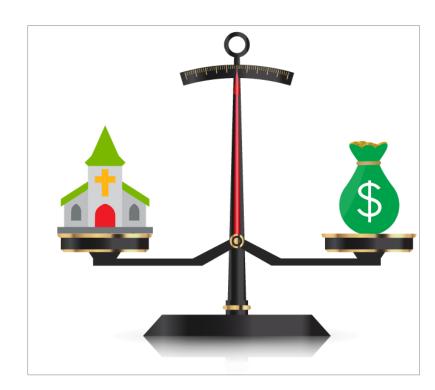
Things to Consider When Signing a Lease Agreement

- Lessee has adequate primary insurance (\$1 Million)
- Avoid a hold, harmless in most situations
- Avoid a waiver of subrogation in most situations
- Tax consequences, depending on use
- Avoid jeopardizing not-for-profit status
- Seek legal advice



Balancing Risk with Reward

- Vestries should understand with more activity comes a greater risk
- Important to assess risk with a property walkthrough
- Review your liability limits
- Review coverage for both church sponsored activities as well as those operations on your property that you do not control
- A safer place to worship means a reduction in claims



Outside Groups—Tip Sheet

- Groups leasing space from the church should have the church named as additional insured on their policy
- There should be an agreement as to who will be responsible for maintenance and housekeeping regarding the space being used
- Be sure the group using your property understands any applicable restrictions or hazards
- Complete a safety checklist before turning over the care and control of the property.



Host Liquor Liability—Tip Sheet

- When an outside party uses your premises (such as a wedding), the church may require a certificate of insurance from the vendor
- Check licensing requirements and determine if your organization is required to secure a liquor license
- Consider the use of a professional bartender and the requirement that they provide a certificate of insurance showing coverage for liquor liability

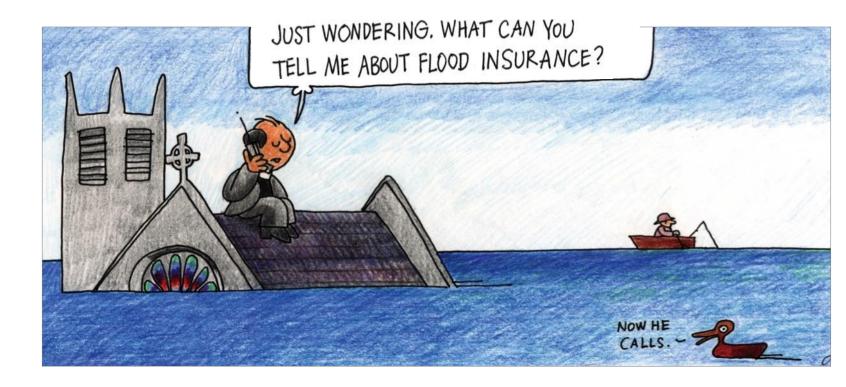


Additional resources at churchinsurance.org

- Safety & Insurance Handbook for churches
- Risk Management brochures, posters, tip sheets and checklists
- Subscribe to the The Good Steward electronic risk management newsletter for Episcopal Churches



Questions and Answers



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