

## **Helping Hands Fund**

The purpose of the Helping Hands Fund is to support the membership and to start up new initiatives.

The amount of financial assistance available will depend on Manitoba Council's budget and financial replenishment of the Helping Hands Fund. For the Helping Hands Fund to be sustained it must be supported by the areas of Manitoba. The areas must support provincial activities that are deemed to be fundraisers for the Helping Hands Fund.

Applications for funding are to be submitted by the area and not the individual units or persons. The area is to submit an application form and before applying the area must exhaust all other possible sources of funding, for example: family payment plan, financial assistance from the district or area, financial assistance from United Way or other agencies/services.

Assistance is based on current financial need and must be applied for each year (the assistance is not carried forward year to year). Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.

Please note: There are two separate Helping Hands Fund applications, one for New Unit Initiatives and one for Individual Girls.