Christian Reformed Church

Moving Policy

Retired Ministers or their Surviving Spouses Effective Date: October 1, 2023

The Ministers' Pension Plan has funds to assist with the final moving expenses for a minister at retirement, or, if the minister dies while in active ministry, for his/her surviving spouse. All arrangements for a move are the responsibility of the retiring minister or the qualified surviving spouse.

Requirements

- 1. The intent of this program is to provide financial assistance toward a final move related to a minister's retirement or death.
- 2. This moving assistance is only available to active participants of the Ministers' Pension Plan.
- 3. A minister or his/her surviving spouse shall be limited to a one time moving allowance for the family.
- 4. A minister is eligible for assistance within one year after retirement or, in the case of the surviving spouse, within one year after the date of the death of the minister.
- 5. Eligibility shall be limited to that portion of the move that is within the United States and/or Canada.
- 6. The Application for Moving Assistance needs to be submitted after you have booked the move.

Recommendations

- 1. Request two estimates from different carriers about 60 days before your move date.
- 2. Request "guaranteed not to exceed" move estimates when possible or review the estimate to confirm its accuracy.
- 3. Request full replacement value insurance coverage unless your homeowner's policy covers in-transit goods at full replacement value.
- 4. Reduce the weight of goods, pack as much as you can yourself, and limit pickups, deliveries, and storage to help lower the cost of the move.

Available Assistance

The moving assistance covers transportation of household goods based on published or negotiated rates. Only one pickup and delivery charge is covered and no storage is covered. Payment will be made directly to you for the moving bill according to the allowed components of the applicable moving estimate or invoice submitted.

The maximum of total moving costs paid is not to exceed \$10,000.

For any questions or clarifications on this moving policy, please contact the pension office at 616.224.0722 or by email at pension@crcna.org.

The following companies have successfully provided moving services for ministers in the past.

US and US/Canada:

Boer's/Mayflower/United

Larry Paarlberg: 800-433-9799 or 616-399-2690; larry@boerstransfer.com

Hawkeye/Atlas Van Lines

Chuck Vander Hart: 563-386-7565; hawkeye.atlas@gmail.com

Stevens Van Lines

Clergy Move Center: 800-248-8313

International: Jill Lickey: 800-316-1065; jill.lickey@stevensworldwide.com

University NorthAmerican

Kevin Nieboer: 800-442-2600 or 616-245-9284; knieboer@universitymoving

Canada:

Oneida Movers/Caledonia ON (Ontario moves only)

Jon Boekee: 905-765-9510

Campbell Moving/United/Mississauga ON

Julian Wood: 289-652-4192

Hinton/United/Windsor ON

Anja Wojnarowski: 519-966-1391

Premiere Van Lines/Atlas Canada/Edmonton AB

Dave Lucy: 780-455-4502

Bandstra Transportation Systems/United/Smithers BC

800-410-5111