

# For The One

## Capital Campaign FAQs

Anchor Church • Kaneohe, Hawaii

### The Vision

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#### 1. What exactly is the “For the One” campaign?

“For the One” is our capital campaign to build a permanent sanctuary—a house of hope for generations. The name comes from the heart of Matthew 18:12–14, where Jesus leaves the ninety-nine to go after the one who is lost. Every person matters to God, and because of that, we are a church for the one.

This initiative involves:

- 1) Building a permanent church facility to welcome and reach every single person with the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- 2) Developing the surrounding land to incorporate sustainable farming practices, benefiting both our congregation and the wider community.
- 3) Creating inviting community spaces throughout the campus for individuals to connect with God and foster meaningful relationships with others.
- 4) Paying off the remaining land mortgage.

This project is not about a building for its own sake. A building is not a monument—it’s a vessel for God to use. It’s an opportunity for Him to move powerfully through His people.

#### 2. How does this expansion align with Anchor Church’s mission and values?

Anchor Church exists to help people know Jesus, love Jesus, and make Him known—to help people pursue Jesus in every area of their lives. This expansion creates more space for worship, dynamic children’s and youth environments, flexible ministry areas for discipleship and training, and a hub of hope where healing, freedom, and restoration are found in Jesus’ name.

### Why Now?

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#### 3. Why does Anchor Church need a new building?

For over 26 years, we’ve been worshipping in a tent that was originally intended as a five-year solution. It has served us well, but it is deteriorating beyond repair—leaking increasingly during rain, with conditions worsening over time. We need a permanent home to continue our mission, accommodate our growing congregation, and provide adequate space for our children’s ministry. We believe God is now calling us to build a permanent meeting facility—not for our comfort, but so that generations can gather, know Jesus, and make Him known.

#### **4. Why are we starting construction now instead of waiting until we've raised the full amount?**

There are several important reasons we've made this decision:

First, our current tent facility is in declining condition. Every rainstorm brings more leaks, and the situation is getting worse. We owe it to our church family to provide a safe, reliable place to worship.

Second, we are chasing inflation. Construction costs continue to rise, and the longer we wait, the more expensive this project becomes. The \$10 million estimate today could be significantly more in just a few years. Starting sooner actually saves money in the long run.

Third, stepping out in faith is who we are. When Anchor Church first leased 9.2 acres of undeveloped mountainside in 1988, a developer warned us to "run as fast as you can." But we held on to Matthew 19:26: "Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But with God everything is possible." It took more than 10 years, but God opened doors only He could open. Every time this church has stepped out in faith, God has proven Himself faithful. Now He is inviting us to step into the miracle again.

Our plan is to phase the construction and begin as soon as our permits are approved, trusting God every step of the way.

#### **5. What does it mean to "phase" the construction?**

Phasing means we will build the project in stages rather than all at once. This allows us to begin construction sooner while continuing to fundraise. We'll prioritize the most critical elements first—the main auditorium and essential facilities—and then complete additional features like the courtyard spaces and other improvements as funds are raised.

#### **6. What if donations slow down during construction?**

We have a financial plan that accounts for various giving scenarios. Phasing the project gives us the flexibility to adjust the pace of construction based on available funds. We are also exploring other funding sources, including grants. Above all, we are trusting God's provision and the generosity of our church family.

#### **7. How does inflation affect the project?**

Construction costs in Hawaii have been rising steadily. Waiting to build means the same project could cost significantly more in the future. By starting now, we lock in current pricing for the early phases and reduce the overall financial risk. The cost of inaction is real, and moving forward is the responsible stewardship decision.

#### **8. Why don't we build a new tent instead of a new building?**

We are limited to a 25 ft. height limit on Agriculture 2 land, which is our zoning designation. A tent is limited in height and width. It would end up being a long tunnel that would not be conducive to a church service—roughly 100 ft. longer than our current setup. It would limit our ability to build something that meets our needs. A tent would also not be versatile enough to accommodate both the sanctuary and office space.

## The Building

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### **9. How much will the new building cost?**

The total project is estimated at \$10 million. This includes the new building, site work, and paying off the remainder of our land mortgage (currently about \$1.4 million). We plan to fund this through the generous contributions of our church family and community, along with exploring other creative funding avenues including grants. Our finance team is committed to investigating all potential resources while ensuring responsible stewardship of our church's finances.

### **10. What features will the new building include?**

The new building will include a 23,700 sq. ft. auditorium, a modern lobby, a warm café, and increased community and counseling spaces.

### **11. How will the new building benefit the community beyond just church members?**

The new building will provide more space for community events, counseling services, and outreach programs, allowing us to better serve and support our broader community.

### **12. Will the new building be accessible for people with disabilities?**

Yes, the new building will be designed to be fully accessible, welcoming everyone to our church regardless of physical abilities.

### **13. Will there be any environmental considerations in the new building's design?**

While specific details aren't finalized, we're committed to being good stewards of both our resources and the environment in our building design.

### **14. How will the new building enhance the children's ministry?**

The new building will provide dedicated, expanded spaces for our parents with children. Our current office building will also be repurposed to expand our children's and youth ministry spaces.

### **15. How will the new building accommodate future growth?**

The new auditorium is designed with ample seating capacity to facilitate the growth of the church for years to come.

### **16. How will the new building impact parking and traffic in the area?**

We're considering parking and traffic flow in our plans and will work with local authorities to ensure minimal disruption to our neighborhood.

### **17. What will happen to the current sprung structure tent?**

We hope to give the aluminum structure away to any church that can use it. Details will be determined as we progress with our plans, ensuring that we always have adequate worship space during the transition.

## Timeline & Construction

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### **18. What's the timeline for the project?**

We plan to begin construction as soon as our permits are approved. Our aim is to complete the main building by 2027/2028, with additional phases for courtyard space and other improvements beyond that, dependent on the funds raised. We also plan to build a multi-purpose building at the end of the courtyard that will serve as our youth space. Our 15-year master plan includes continued campus improvements through 2045.

### **19. Will church services continue during construction? If so, where?**

Yes, church services will continue throughout the construction process. We will use our current sanctuary to hold services while the new building is under construction. As we get closer to the construction phase, we'll provide more detailed information about any temporary adjustments. Our priority is to maintain our regular worship schedule and ministry programs while we work on creating our new church home.

### **20. What measures are in place to avoid potential construction delays or budget overruns?**

We're working with experienced professionals to create realistic timelines and budgets, and we'll have contingency plans in place to address potential challenges. Phasing the project also gives us built-in flexibility to adjust as needed.

### **21. Who is overseeing the construction and finances?**

We have an experienced team of professionals guiding both the construction and the financial management of this project. Our church leadership, along with outside consultants, is committed to transparency and accountability at every stage.

## Giving & Finances

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### **22. How much have we raised so far?**

As of February 2026, we have raised \$1,830,278. We are grateful for every gift and continue to see God's faithfulness through the generosity of our church family.

### **23. How can individuals contribute to the campaign beyond financial donations?**

We encourage everyone to pray for the project, serve on various teams to help with the campaign, and spread the word about our vision. Your prayers and involvement are just as important as financial gifts.

## **24. Are there different giving options for those who want to contribute financially?**

Yes, we have various giving options to accommodate different financial situations. We accept cash, checks, debit/credit cards, cryptocurrency, and stocks. We also accept non-cash contributions and in-kind donations. More details are available at our campaign events and through the church office.

## **25. What is a pledge or commitment, and is it legally binding?**

A pledge is a statement of intent—a prayerful commitment to give a specific amount over a 3-year period. It is not a legally binding contract. Pledges help our leadership team plan and make wise financial decisions. We understand that circumstances change, and there is no penalty for adjusting your commitment.

## **26. Will my campaign giving affect what I give in regular tithes and offerings?**

We encourage “over and above” giving to the campaign—meaning your campaign contributions are in addition to, not a replacement for, your regular tithes and offerings. Our ongoing ministry depends on consistent regular giving. The campaign is an opportunity to go above and beyond for this specific vision.

## **27. Are my donations tax-deductible?**

Yes, all donations to Anchor Church, including For the One campaign contributions, are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. You will receive a giving statement for your records.

## **28. Can I designate my gift to a specific part of the project?**

All campaign gifts go toward the overall For the One project. While we appreciate the heart behind wanting to direct gifts, keeping contributions undesignated gives our leadership the flexibility to allocate funds where they're most needed at each phase of the project.

## **29. How will the church ensure responsible use of funds during this project?**

We are committed to financial transparency and will have oversight measures in place to ensure responsible stewardship of all funds contributed to this project. Regular updates will be provided to the congregation.

## **Staying Connected**

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## **30. How will we receive updates on the campaign and construction progress?**

We are committed to keeping our church family informed every step of the way. Expect regular updates through Sunday announcements, email newsletters, our church website, and social media. We'll also host periodic vision updates and Q&A sessions where you can ask questions and hear the latest news.

**31. Will there be opportunities for members to provide input on the new building's design or features?**

We value our church family's input. As we progress, we'll share more about how members can contribute their ideas and feedback.

**32. I still have questions. Who can I talk to?**

We'd love to connect with you! Please reach out to the church office or speak with any member of our pastoral or leadership team. No question is too small—we want everyone to feel informed, encouraged, and part of this journey together.