# Conference Merger Resources

## Merger Binder Documents
1. Conference Merger Resources
2. Merger General Guidelines
3. Phased Merger Graphic / Phased Merger Checklist
4. Standards of Excellence Questionnaire (St. Louis adapted)
5. Election-Process for a Conference
6. Guidelines for Effective Conferences
7. Delegating Responsibilities
8. Selections from Rule, Manual and Other Documents
9. Dissolution of a Conference
10. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ’s)

## Reference Documents
WebPage; Conference Merger Resources – Society of St. Vincent de Paul (svdpstlouis.org)

### General
- Rule
- Manual

### Operational
- Consensus Decision Making
- The Conference Meeting Agenda
- Sample SVdP Conference Assistance Guidelines
- Potential Conference Activities
- Resolving Conference Conflict
- Standards of Excellence Questionnaire for Conferences (Natl.)
- Commentary and Notes on the Standards of Excellence Questionnaire (Natl.)
- ServWare Checklist

### Governance
- Bylaws for Conferences without a board
- Aggregation-Request-Form
- St. Louis Council Record Retention Policy
- National SVdP Record Retention Policy

### Finance
- National Conference Treasurer Manual
- National Conference Treasurer Training
- ServWare Treasurer Training
**Spirituality**
- ATN Prayer and 5 Vincentian Virtues
- Vincentian Lifelong Engagement Model
- Essentials For Holy Spirit Filled Members
- Spirituality Suggestions for Revitalizing Conferences
- Growing in Holiness Together
- Serving In Hope Series Overview
- New Conference Formation Suggestions

**Servant Leadership**
- Talking Points for Why to Go Into Leadership
- Servant Leadership and Conference Officers
- Seven Duties of Conference-Presidents

**Growth and Revitalization**
- Growth-Revitalization Self-Assessment Questionnaire
- Invitation-to-Serve-for-New-and-Existing-Conferences
- Increasing-Membership-Presentation
- 2020-NCR-Conference-Revitalization-Workshop-PowerPoint
- Welcoming New Members
- StL Onboarding Checklist for New Members
- DRAFT Conference Fundraising Plan
- National New Member Admission Process (optional)