

Financial Support for Voluntary Service

Historically AMC has strongly encouraged persons to consider a time of voluntary service. For a time this was considered as an alternative to the service required by the government. Even as we said *everyone* should do service, we wondered how we as a congregation would support that commitment financially if everyone actually did service. We have a line item in the spending plan for this, *Mission Support for Individuals*, which provides ongoing support for those doing overseas mission with Mennonite Agencies, as well as young adults and others doing short-term service and mission.

The following are guidelines for AMC financial support for mission and service.

A. To members (individuals or families) doing long-term overseas mission with Mennonite institutions: \$2000 annually

B. To young adult members doing Voluntary Service:

1. For 10-12 months: (Examples: MVS, MCC (SALT), CPT, PULSE, MDS, BMC): \$1000 annually

2. For a summer: (Examples: MIP, SIP, CIP): \$500

C. To others (participants or former members) doing mission/service with Mennonite institutions: up to \$500 annually

Category C calls for discernment. Assistance amounts will be proposed by Finance Committee, with approval by Leadership Group.

Members and others affiliated with the congregation may also solicit support from individuals by putting letters in AMC mailboxes.

This policy will be revised as needed.

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