

Financial Assistance available to Gwynedd Monthly Meeting members

GWYNEDD MONTHLY MEETING FUNDS - Apply to the Clerk of Care and Counsel

For pastoral needs

- Osmun Care and Counsel Special Fund

For scholarship assistance

- **Osmun School Loan Fund**
Interest free loans to Members for college and higher education beyond high school
- **Eleanor Scott Sharpless Fund**
Provides scholarship assistance to Members to attend conferences, seminars and other short term events.
Examples: Quaker seminars, classes, functions and similar events at Pendle Hill, Friends General Conference, Yearly Meeting, JFC, MSFC, and so on.
- **The Scholarship Aid Fund**
Provides scholarship aid to children of the Gwynedd Monthly Meeting community to attend Friends schools. Other schools may be considered if a child's needs cannot be met by a Quaker school.

PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETING FUNDS

For the following aid, apply to the Clerk of the Meeting or the Clerk of Care and Counsel who will contact the appropriate PYM directors.

- **For those in serious financial need. The John Martin Trust, PYM'S Emergency Fund** is available to quickly assist Philadelphia Yearly Meeting members who are in serious financial need, who face a short-term financial crisis with needs, including but not limited to housing, food, employment and medical difficulties. This is on a one-time basis only. Requests are handled confidentially and as expeditiously as possible. GMM Clerk contacts PYM grants coordinator and the general secretary of PYM.
- **To help Friends to travel in religious service or to attend Yearly Meeting, Interim Meeting or Quarterly Meeting sessions.** See the John Pemberton Fund guidelines. Applicants agree to advance the Quaker principles of Peace and Nonviolence. The John Pemberton Fund will supplement Meeting funds for this purpose
- **Assistance to older Friends who are members of PYM**

The George Abbott Fund, the E. Harris Michener Fund and the Richard Cadbury Fund have as their purpose the direct care and comfort of individual elderly PYM friends. The Richard Cadbury fund also includes funding for projects that benefit elderly PYM members. Persons or organizations providing care to elderly PYM members may apply.

- **Assistance to older friends to stay in their own homes**

The Charles and Sarah Von Albertson Fund was set up to enable or assist elderly persons to continue to live in their own homes. Preference is given to members of the Religious Society of Friends. The funds might be used for domestic help, nursing care, home repairs and maintenance, and any other expenses contributing to their well-being.

- **Grants to individual Friends, institutions or organizations providing care to Friends** The Richard Cadbury Fund was set up to provide services and assistance to elderly PYM members and grants may be made to individual Friends, institutions, or organizations providing care to Friends. Apply to the Granting Group for Funds for Aging.

Grants available directly from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting

- **To assist people engaged in activities that promote international understanding, justice and peace.**

The International Outreach Granting Group of PYM offers grants to assist people engaged in such activities. Applications may be from American Quakers and others who travel abroad, as well as from international visitors who come to the U.S. on Friends' concerns.

- **To provide meaningful material support to individuals and Quaker groups who suffer because of their witness to Quaker testimonies**

The Fund for Sufferings of PYM provides this financial assistance. Application can be from the PYM individual concerned, from a Monthly Meeting on behalf of the individual, or from someone or some group

close to the person involved.

- **Financial assistance to older Friends in need**

The Greenleaf Fund provides financial assistance to Friends (and those in sympathy with Friends) 62 years of age and older of modest means in need of help with housing, maintenance and residential costs, on-going medical care, health equipment purchases and daily living expenses. To inquire about applying or for guideline information contact PYM Care & Aging Coordinator George Schaefer at 215-241-7068 or gschaefer@pym.org.

FUNDS FROM ABINGTON QUARTERLY MEETING'S HOME AND CARE COMMITTEE

Requests for all services should be directed to Rebecca Cratin, Tel: 215-532-8738.

- **Assistance with interest-free loans to members who are between selling a home and entering a care facility.** Loans are to be returned after the sale of the home.
- **Assistance with short term and emergency needs** is limited in amount but available to members of the Quarter and their dependents, of any age, from the Enabling Fund of the Quarter. The needs may include psychological counseling, short term tutoring, job training, medical costs, rent assistance, child care, car repair when related to the job, or other family needs.
- **Financial Assistance to older members of Abington Quarterly Meeting in need of a home or in need of financial help to stay in their own home or apartment.** The Home and Care Committee of Abington Quarterly Meeting is authorized to approve payments from income from the General Fund for Aging. Payments may include assistance with entry and monthly fees to a continuing care community or Friends Life Care.
- **Funds are available to older members of Abington Quarter for 50% of the cost of prescriptions** and costs for durable medical goods which may include glasses, hearing aids or walkers. The recipient is asked to sign a letter of intent to reimburse the funds.
- **Holding a PACE card?** The Quarter's Home and Care Committee offers financial assistance to members currently holding PACE cards. It will reimburse costs of those health needs that are currently not covered by insurance. This may include eye care, glasses, dental care, podiatrist expenses, hearing aids, prescription drugs and Health Insurance for those not covered by Social Security. Other health needs will also be considered.