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Fall 2022 Report

I want to thank you all for allowing me to be your Treasurer for Region 5. This continues to be a service position that both challenges me and keeps me abstinent every day. I apologize for the long report but it is budget time! 😊

The Budget!!!

The current budget information, including the current income and expenditures plus the draft 2023 budget, are in this packet. The comments below are just a summary.

The expenses for this year continue to be under-budget, mostly due to our extensive use of virtual technology. However, we also allowed monies for committee programs and Intergroup assistance that have not been used. We do have several active committees this year, including the Outreach subcommittees and the Media committee that have been in discussion around projects for the coming year. Since I didn't get any requests from committees for budgets, I adjusted the 2023 budget to try to better reflect the information I have seen, for a total of \$6700 allocated across the 7 committees. **If your committee has a different need, please try to send me that information before we finalize the 2023 budget at our final Assembly session on October 30th.**

We also spent less than expected on World Service Business Conference due to the meeting moving from in person to virtual. I expect the WSBC to be in person in 2023 and have budgeted for that. This includes money for the Region to send extra delegates (because we are entitled to more than we usually have attending from our Intergroups) as well as funds to support Intergroups that want to send delegates but need assistance with funds. This is the single largest area of funding for 2023 at \$11,500.

This year the majority of our expenses were for website and Zoom related costs. Zoom is relatively inexpensive and is used by Committees, the Board, and Officers, as well as the Convention and Assembly. We also upgraded the website this year, hired a new webmaster, and re-allocated some of the costs for website security, all of which increased our expenditures over budget. I have increased the budget for this area to \$9600 in 2023.

We donated \$12,000 to World Service Organization. This was our budgeted donation. I decreased this to \$11,000 for 2023 to balance out the increased costs of travel I have projected.



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And Income...

We exceeded expectations for income for the Convention with the final total being \$5655. \$1414 (25%) was shared with the Hosting Intergroups in Chicago. There were no expenses other than the fees for processing the registrations and credit cards. We let the Region absorb those fees rather than listing them as a separate expense. Almost all the registrations were done online.

Contributions are down somewhat this year. A list of contributions by meeting and state is included in this packet. We also have contributions from OA members from outside the Region. Entering contributions and registration data into our QuickBooks database is the biggest job of the Treasurer, as you can probably tell from the 6 pages of meeting contribution information you have! The budget estimated \$28,000 in donations based on donations from 2021. However, it appears that as groups have moved either back to in person or into permanent virtual, contributions have gone down. I budgeted \$26,000 for 2023 due to this.

I hope this explanation helps as you read through the budget information. Write down your questions – I'm more than happy to answer them. And remember – this is our Region and our Region's money. Let us use it well to further Recovery throughout the Region.

Your Trusted Servant,

Region 5 Treasurer,

Linda P