



IFYE Association of the USA, Inc.

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IFYE UPDATE

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Organizational Capacity Campaign Reaches a Milestone

Many of you reading this Update may have received a call recently asking you to support our efforts to solidify the financial standing of IFYE. Our Organizational Capacity campaign has **surpassed the half-way mark** and is progressing nicely.

Our efforts were enhanced by Larry Hiller, an IFYE from Iowa who issued a challenge after he first pledged \$15,000 over three years (one unit). He then set a challenge by saying **he would add another \$15,000 unit if we were able to raise five more pledge units either from Iowa or from IFYEs who were in the 1962 or 1963 groups.** It gives us great pleasure to announce that his challenge was just accomplished last week. With your help, we were successful in fulfilling his original challenge, and he has now extended it so those in the qualifying group (see highlighted above-) can still contribute as part of the challenge. Larry's challenge will remain in effect until all 40 pledges have been fulfilled! There are 16 to go.

We are closing in on our goal of 40 pledge units, but still need your help. If you've been thinking about a contribution to IFYE, now is the time to make the pledge. Monies donated to fulfill the pledge are tax-deductible and will be placed in a separate bank account. Use of these funds is restricted to organizational expansion as outlined in a separate budget, which is available upon request.

If you have questions or would like more timely information on the campaign, please contact IFYE President Art Deisher at 937-935-3807 or IFYE Executive Director Ken Gordon at 614-593-0234. Thank you for your consideration.

Program Update:

- You asked for it! It will soon be here! For years IFYE Alumni have asked if there was a way that they could support individual IFYEs directly with donations. All the outbound IFYEs are currently working on their personal GoFundMe IFYE pages. GoFundMe is a website people can use to help raise funds for various causes, such as the IFYE Exchange Program experience. Please check the IFYE website weekly to see if an IFYE you would like to support is listed there. Each IFYE will be trying to replace the participation fee they have paid IFYE by using GoFundMe. They will appreciate contributions, large and small. Look for information and a link on the IFYE website homepage to support our 2018 Outbounds.
- Orientation for the seven IFYEs departing in June is underway with bi-monthly conference calls. A four-day orientation in Washington, D.C. will occur immediately prior to departure.
- **Applications are still being accepted for IFYEs desiring a Sept. to Dec. exchange.** One IFYE will depart then and **up to 6 more are being sought.**
- The Program Committee is working with State Coordinators to do the following:
 - Updating their Handbook that will be added to the Coordinator website portal.
 - Beginning monthly conference training calls with the National Program Director.
 - Planning a fall face-to-face "retreat".

- This year the IFYE Board initiated a \$500 incentive to any one who recruits a person that completes the IFYE interview, is selected, completes the national IFYE orientation and lands in the host country. If multiple persons are designated by the IFYE as being responsible for their participation, the \$500 will be divided between those named. A big “THANK YOU” goes out to those who are going to share \$1,500 for recruiting three outbound IFYEs for 2018. **Up to \$500 per IFYE recruited is available for you too!!**

Board Update:

- Board approved mileage reimbursement at the non-profit rate for returned IFYEs driving more than 50 miles from home to make IFYE presentations.
- The IFYE Board approved providing a lifetime membership to any IFYE alum (who is not already a lifetime member) who pledges and donates at least one unit (\$15,000 over 3 years) to the Organizational Capacity Campaign.
- The committee charter for the newly created Digital Media Committee was adopted for the IFYE Board Handbook.
- Authorization was granted to the treasurer to transfer funds into the checking account to handle cash flow for the June departure IFYEs and their orientation program in Washington, D.C.
- **With regret the board accepted the resignation of long-time board member Dottie Nelson.** She will continue on the Program Committee but slow down for health and family reasons. Thank you, Dottie, and best wishes.
- The 2017 IFYE finances were audited and the non-profit 990 tax return was filed in a timely manner this year. **ATTENTION:** For personal reasons, the auditor that has provided this service will not be doing so in 2018. **The IFYE Board requests that if you know of a CPA or qualified person to be hired to do the 2018 audit and 990 filing, please contact any board member.** Thank you.
- **PLANNING AHEAD:**
 - 2018 National IFYE Board annual meeting, Hampton Inn Airport, Indianapolis, Indiana, July 6, 7, 8.
 - World IFYE Conference, Alaska cruise, September 9-16. Register at <https://ifyeusaorg.presencehost.net/news-conferences/conferences/2018-world-ifye-conference.html>
 - 2019 National IFYE Conference, Lexington (tentative), Kentucky, first week of August. (Dates known after conference committee meeting 4/24)

Financial Update:

- It is recognized that many of you make donations. We greatly appreciate your generosity and want you to continue your support. Historically donations have exceeded the \$10,000 per month alumni portion of the budget. We need that to continue. It is understandable not everyone is in the position to make a big pledge to the Organizational Capacity Campaign. However, only \$100 a year or \$10 per month will contribute greatly to the program budget, which covers expenses related to outbound and inbound experiences. Any non-life member donating \$30 or more will be credited as an annual member when they make the donation.
- Please use the attached invoice for making your general financial contribution to IFYE.

Contact address: Art Deisher 6037 Frejon Lane, Sylvania, Ohio 43560 (added per alumni request)

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Please check the appropriate box for the support you wish to provide.

Return the form and complete action or actions that you have selected to Don DeWerff as listed below: **Please mail this form with payment and/or request to:** Don DeWerff, 29 Arrowhead Drive, Lyons, Kansas 67554

PLEASE COMPLETE:

NAME _____ **EMAIL** _____

ADDRESS _____ **CITY** _____ **STATE**__ **ZIP** _____

HOME PHONE _____ **CELL PHONE** _____

I wish to support IFYE in 2018 with the following: \$5,000 \$2,500
 \$1,000 \$750 \$500 \$250 Other Amount \$ _____

I am unable to support IFYE with the choices above. **But I wish to support IFYE with an annual Membership fee.**

\$30 for 2018 annual membership**

** You can be a member with your \$30 membership without additional donation, but all donations above \$30 include memberships. **Note: If you are a life member, you will always be a life member and do not need to pay the \$30 annual Membership**

PAYMENT METHOD

I have enclosed my check # _____ in the amount of \$ _____ payable to "IFYE Association of the USA"

I would like to pay the above amount on a payment schedule. Please contact me. Phone # _____

Please charge my credit card: MC ___ Visa ___ Discover _____ Amex _____ **AMOUNT \$ _____**

CARD NUMBER: _____ EXP. DATE: __ / _____ Security Code: _____

SIGNATURE _____

I will pay online at <http://ifyeusa.org>

Please send me (by email) access information to the IFYE website "Paid Membership area"
My email address is: _____

Unfortunately, I am unable to financially support IFYE at this time. Please remove me from the *contact for donation* list. (This will be done discreetly and you will still receive one newsletter per year. Those who remit \$20 will receive all newsletters and 8 issues of the IFYE Update each year by postal mail. If you are a life member, you will have access to the Member area on the website.)

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