# IFYE Association of the USA, Inc. Peace Through Understanding

## **IFYE UPDATE**

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### **Program Update:**

Applications for the 2018 IFYE programs: three month (June 14 - September 4 or September 15 - December 7) and six month (June 14 - December 7, 2018) are being accepted. Thus far, five (5) individuals have been selected and host country placements determined. These five US IFYEs have been placed in Argentina, Austria, India, Norway, S. Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand. Two additional IFYE applicants will be interviewed in the coming days and more applications are expected in the next couple of weeks.

We have 14 countries wishing to host up to 22 more US IFYEs, so please help us add more individuals for 2018. A financial reward up to \$500 per recruited IFYE is available to you when they successfully complete the selection & orientation process, and arrive in their host country. Talk with a young adult age 19 and above, then share their name with Alan Lambert the National Program Director at alanelambert@gmail.com or 605-366-6107.

We have received ten inbound IFYE applications from 7 countries to date, and expect to receive another 10 -12 applications for placement by the end of March. Nine (9) states will be hosting these inbound IFYEs. Most inbound IFYEs will be in their host state from June 14 - September 4th. IFYE State coordinators will be looking for families to host for approximately three weeks for each IFYE. Please contact your State Coordinator or Alan to learn of the IFYEs hosted in those states, and the time frames available to host. Current State Coordinators are:

Alaska - Patti Floyd 907-776-8143 ccfarmsllc@acsalaska.net

Illinois - Susan Herren 618-447-7994 <a href="mailto:sherren@peaknet.net">sherren@peaknet.net</a>

Kansas - Mary Kay Munson 785-238-3631 <u>munson@ksbroadband.net</u>

Michigan - D'Ann Rohrer 231-845-3361 drohrer@anr.msu.edu

Nebraska – Mari Roseberry 308-880-1967 mariroseberry 68@gmail.com

Ohio - Cheryl Gerber 440-670-9067 <a href="mailto:ckgerber@yahoo.com">ckgerber@yahoo.com</a>

South Dakota - Kristi Hinkle 605-870-0080 ifyesdprograms@gmail.com

Virginia - Dottie Nelson 276-617-1065 dottieifye@yahoo.com

Wyoming - Kim Reaman 307-760-8703 kreaman@uwyo.edu

#### **Administrative Update:**

- New photos and updates to the IFYE website have been completed. The website optimization
  efforts continues and new Google Ads have been created to help drive interest in the IFYE website.
  The ads are provided at no cost from Google and appear when searches are conducted for cultural
  exchange programs.
- A beneficial relationship with the USDA Foreign Agriculture Service (FAS) has been obtained that has provided access to the database of FAS employees serving in countries around the world. Specific in-country contact information will now be given to Outbound IFYEs so they can make contact upon arriving in their host country.

#### **Board Update:**

- Work continues for replacing the IFYE Excel database with DonorQuest, a client management system.
- The IFYE Board approved providing a lifetime membership to any IFYE alum who pledges and donates at least one unit (\$15,000 over 3 years) to the Organizational Capacity Campaign.
- The Board approved the IFYE State Coordinator financial support proposal. State Coordinators meeting national IFYE program standards will be able to apply for reimbursement of expenses, receive some or total reimbursement for training conducted by the Program Development Committee, and incentive compensation for recruiting host families. Details have recently been communicated to the State Coordinators. The purpose of the program is to assist our volunteer State Coordinators and to boost the recruiting of IFYEs and Host Families.

#### **Financial Update:**

- 2017 records are completed and tax forms and audits should be done by the time you are reading
  this information. If you have not received your receipt for donations you made to IFYE, please
  contact us.
- 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.
- The Organizational Capacity Campaign is progressing nicely. Eighteen (18) IFYEs have verbally pledged to donate \$5,000 each year (a unit) for the next 3-years (2018, 2019 and 2020). The target deadline is now April 15, 2018. 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.

A DONATION CHALLENGE has been received! Larry Hiller an IFYE from Iowa has presented a unique opportunity by first pledging \$15,000 over the next three years and then offering to pledge another \$15,000, if five IFYEs who represented Iowa regardless of the year, OR any IFYE who participated in 1962-63 pledge at least one unit! If you meet those criteria, please contact Art Deisher.

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

Please use the attached invoice for making your financial support 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

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