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To: All Member Lodges

Dear Brethren,

At the 2025 Annual Communication, an extensive Charitable Outreach Program was approved. The portions of that program that may benefit your Lodge are:

- 1. The Masonic Scholarship Plan which awards scholarships to eligible applicants in the amount of \$1,300. Awards cannot be granted for both this plan and the Scholarship Matching Fund plan to the same individual. All applications will need to be received by the Grand Lodge office by close of business on or before February 27, 2026.
- 2. The Matching Relief Fund Plan which matches funds from local Lodges to aid any named individual or group except another 501(c) (3) Charity in an amount up to \$1,000. Lodges may request more than one grant but may not receive more than a total of \$1,000 in Matching Fund Grants in any Masonic year.
- 3. The Emergency Fund assists local Lodges in providing relief to qualified distressed worthy Master Masons, their wives, widows, children and other dependent relatives who reside in their households. The requesting Lodge must submit a check for one third of the amount requested but not more than \$250 and the Grand Master may contribute up to three times the amount provided by the Lodge but not more than \$750.
- 4. The Scholarship Matching Fund Plan which will provide matching funds in an amount up to \$500 to encourage local Lodges to award a scholarship to a deserving student in their community. Local Lodges can award scholarships in various amounts but total cannot exceed \$1,000.
- 5. The Youth Sports Matching Sponsorship Plan which will match funds provided by local Lodges in matching funds not to exceed \$1,000 for sponsorship of a local youth sports program.
- 6. The Social Services Program which will fund materials for local Lodges to install ramps, railings and other safety devices in the homes of Master Masons. Also, local Lodges can assist Master Masons, their Widows, and families in other ways as deemed necessary and worthy of assistance in amounts not to exceed an accumulative amount of \$1,500.

Detailed instructions and application forms for these plans are available on the Grand Lodge website at www.glofal.com.

This letter is to be read in open Lodge in its entirety upon receipt.

Fraternally,

Drew Barnett Grand Master