



IFYE Association of the USA, Inc.

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IFYE UPDATE

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Program Update:

An ongoing concern discussed at our 2017 conference was the need to increase the number of outbound exchangees for 2018. That concern is being addressed by the Program Development Committee with an incentive plan to spur growth.

The following is the **incentive plan**: Any member of the IFYE Association of the USA, Inc. whether an IFYE Alumni, an IFYE State Coordinator or an IFYE supporter, has the opportunity to **earn up to \$500** for each new IFYE Outbound that they personally recruit into the National IFYE Program and help through the application process. The IFYE Outbound must be successfully accepted into the National IFYE Program and attend all required state and national orientations and travel to their initial host country. An award of up to \$500 (**per IFYE recruited**) will be given to the person(s) who recruited that IFYE Outbound when that IFYE has arrived in the host country.

- If two or more alumni and/or State Coordinators and/or IFYE supporters recruit the same person, money will be divided proportionately.
- You may recruit any number of IFYE applicants and receive the incentive award for each one who successfully meets the requirements.
- Application deadline for the National IFYE Program is February 1, 2018. Some states have November 1, 2017 and December 1, 2017 deadlines.

On the IFYE website IFYEUSA.ORG there are [Frequently Asked Questions](#) and [National Standards for Outbound IFYEs](#) that will be helpful when making contacts.

Additional, supportive information for the above incentive program:

- Potential applicants must be single and 19 years or older.
- Host families in host countries are often farm/agriculture related.
- Any 19-year-old or older male or female, with any type of college major, is encouraged to apply as an IFYE Representative.
- Applicants without a college education who are interested in international living or with farm/country living backgrounds are also accepted.
- When you have found a potential applicant, please notify Alan Lambert, alanelambert@gmail.com. He (or his designee) will keep you informed during the application, selection, and orientation process.

Board Update:

- Florida Conference had a financial gain of \$3,429.00. Per Conference Guidelines, half is used by the Association for programming and half is held for the State of Florida to use within the next three (3) years to support IFYE programming in that state.
- The \$50,000 provided by the former IFYE Foundation to the IFYE Association prior to the merger of the two organizations in 2014 has been repaid in full along with interest. These funds are invested per the original agreement into the IFYE Raymond James account. Revenue for this action was provided by an unsolicited, unexpected bequest from a Michigan IFYE Alum. Her name will be released pending final settlement of the estate in 2018.

- With regret, the Board has been informed that Connie Fukudome will be leaving the IFYE Board at the end of 2017. She has one year remaining on her three-year term but desires to step aside to continue her health improvement and devote more time to her family. She will be missed.
- Retiring from the Board at the end of 2017, in addition to Connie, will be Jack Morse and Nancy Maxwell-Rich. Both are finishing three years on the Board. Thank you Jack, Nancy, and Connie for your dedication and service to IFYE.
- Joining the IFYE Board are Pat Hutsell (1972 IFYE Nebraska to Kenya), Jan Dennis Wood (1972 IFYE Ohio to Australia) and Jess Stairs (1964 IFYE Pennsylvania to India). Their three-year terms will begin in 2018 but they are involved now in committee work and Board conference calls.

Financial Update:

- The 2018 IFYE budget is being prepared. Outside funding sources to be obtained by the Executive Director will hold the need for alumni contributions to \$10,000 per month. If half of the IFYE alumni donated just \$10 per month, the income would almost be double the need!
- It is recognized that many of you make donations. We greatly appreciate your generosity and want you to continue your support. The alumni portion of the budget is \$10,000 per month and historically donations have exceeded that level. We need that to continue.
- Again, due to the unexpected estate bequest received, \$15,000 of the cash flow withdrawn for operating needs in the past two years from the Raymond James account has been returned to that account.

The Organizational Capacity Campaign pledges will be accepted until December 1, 2017. 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. Progress is being made with over 25% of the 40 opportunities being verbally pledged.

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 contact Executive Director Ken Gordon at 614-539-0234. Thank you for your consideration.

Please use the attached invoice for making your financial support to IFYE.

2018 World IFYE Conference:

Conference registration has been brisk! Since the rollout of the registration on the IFYEUSA.ORG website, registration has necessitated the planning committee to exercise the option to increase the hotel room reservations in the IFYE block in Vancouver (for September 8th). Please click on <http://ifyeusa.org/conferences> for further details. Worldwide interest is being expressed in going to Alaska! Will you be on board?

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PLEASE COMPLETE:

NAME _____ **EMAIL** _____

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I wish to support IFYE in 2017 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 2017 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.)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT of IFYE _____ 10/17

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