Midlothian Friends Meeting (MFM)
Fund for Support Funding Mechanisms
(Updated September 8, 2023)

The following process for funding the **Fund for Support** will help us meet demands on that fund, while placing reasonable limitations on the aid meeting can provide.

1. MFM should budget an amount each year to be accumulated in the **Fund for Support**. If any portion is unused, it will roll over to the next year.
2. Additionally, individual Friends may choose to contribute to the **Fund for Support**. MFM should make known this provision periodically.
3. The meeting should make reasonable accommodation for situations when the **Fund for Support** is depleted by following these guidelines: When the clerk of meeting receives a request for financial help, he/she should consult with the Treasurer. If the Treasurer agrees with the request, but indicates that the **Fund for Support** does not have enough funding for the request, budgeted future funding within the **Fund for Support** may be borrowed from the meeting's **Emergency Fund** (since all of the needed funding will be eventually provided as budgeted in the **Fund for Support** by the end of the year). The current amount that is within the **Emergency Fund** should not be exceeded to supply the **Fund for Support** request. A budgeting plan should be devised to replenish the **Emergency Fund** during the next budget year.