

FRATERNAL ADMINISTRATIVE ENDOWMENT FUND (F.A.E.F./FA-100) COMMITTEE PROGRAM 2025-2026

Fraternal Greetings, My Brothers All:

The future is often hard to predict, but one thing we can be certain of is that we will need resources to sustain the administration of **our** Grand Lodge in the years to come. To ensure this, the **Fraternal Administrative Endowment Fund (F.A.E.F./FA-100)** was established in 1993. The purpose of this fund is to generate both short and long-term income, with the ultimate goal of eliminating the need for a per capita assessment. Once this endowment reaches its goal, it will be able to offset or even cover the costs of the per capita. This would allow those funds to remain within your Lodge, where they can be used to support local initiatives and activities.

If you would like a more in-depth explanation or have any questions about this program, please don't hesitate to reach out to your **District Deputy Grand Master, Zone Chairman, District Committeeman**, or myself. We are always available to help you understand how this fund benefits our Craft and supports our future.

As has been our tradition for some time, we will once again offer specially designed neckties, bow ties, and cummerbund sets throughout the state. These ties have been designed to honor our **Most Worshipful Grand Master for 2025-2026 Tali Atala** and to recognize Brothers who contribute to this worthy cause.

This year, I hope that through education, purpose, and recognition, we can effectively communicate the importance of this program, as it is essential to ensuring the ongoing administration of our Fraternity for years to come. I also want to take this opportunity to remind all Brothers that every dollar—whether it's \$1, \$5, \$10, or more—is just as valuable and appreciated. Every contribution, no matter the size, plays a crucial role in the success of this program and in the perpetual funding of our Grand Lodge's administrative budget.

District Deputy Grand Masters:

It is clear that you possess the knowledge and dedication to our Fraternity that makes you deserving of this important appointment. I extend my heartfelt congratulations to you on this role. As the Grand Master's representative to your District, you hold a key responsibility in shaping the future of our Craft. One of your vital duties is to convey the important message about the **(F.A.E.F./FA-100)** to the members of your District. Encourage them to contribute to this cause, as it is essential to sustaining the administration of our Grand Lodge and ensuring the continued success of our Fraternity.

Please take the time to ensure that your **District Committeeman** is well-informed about this program and its significance. Education is paramount—ensure the Brothers understand **who** is behind the program, **what** it supports, and **why** it is necessary.

Additionally, please collaborate with your **Zone Chairman** and myself to ensure that any contributions from your District are properly acknowledged and reported. This will help us maintain transparency and show the impact of our collective efforts.

Zone Chairmen:

Your assiduity towards this program is essential to its success. Work with **the District Deputy Grand Masters and District Committeemen** in your Zone. Please open the lines of communication and offer your help to these individuals to ensure these Brothers are well educated on this program.

Also, ask these Brothers to advise you of any and all donations to the F.A.E.F./FA-100 so that proper documentation and recognition can be given to the Zone, District, Lodge, and Brother. Report back to me all donations so we can provide an informative report to the Craft.

District Committeemen:

Work with your Zone Chairman, seek his support, and visit the Lodges in your District. It is your charge to educate the Brothers about this program and of its importance to our Fraternity. Education is the key. Brothers want to know

what and why they are donating to a program and in my travels, I have found that a lot of them do not know much about the Fraternal Administration Endowment Fund or its purpose. Please make sure to advise your District Deputy Grand Master and Zone Chairman of all donations.

Worshipful Masters:

Consider having a fundraiser to support **F.A.E.F./FA-100** in your Lodge. Have a talk or use one of your monthly educational talks to explain the purpose of this program. Consider a line item in your annual budget to support FAEF/FA-100. Think about our philanthropy and if it would be of the same quantity or quality without our Grand Lodge support and administrative assistance. Would your Lodge be what it is today?

**Please make sure all checks are made out to The Grand Lodge of Florida and in the note section write Fraternal Administrative Endowment Fund (FAEF or FA-100) or some shortened version so that Grand Lodge can properly account for the donations.*

Example submission:

FA-100 Tie Sales

D.D.G.M.: _____ District: _____ Zone: _____

Zone Chairman: _____

District Committeeman: _____

Amount: _____

I would also like to express my heartfelt thanks to **Most Worshipful Grand Master Tali Atala** for considering me for this important task. It is an honor to serve in this capacity, and I am committed to ensuring the continued growth and success of the Fraternal Administrative Endowment Fund (F.A.E.F./FA-100).

In closing my Brothers, thank you for your time, dedication, and continued diligence toward the betterment of our Fraternity. I also want to extend my gratitude in advance for your generous donations to the Fraternal Administrative Endowment Fund. Please know that I am always here to assist you in any way I can. Don't hesitate to reach out if you need anything.

Fraternally,

R. :. W. :. Dale A. Spear
State Chairman