

**FRATERNAL ADMINISTRATIVE ENDOWMENT FUND (F.A.E.F.)
COMMITTEE PROGRAM 2024-2025**

Brethren,

In 1993, The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Florida established The Fraternal Administrative Endowment Fund (F.A.E.F.), affectionately known as FA-100. As someone who served as a District Committeeman for eight years, this program holds a special place in my heart. FA-100 serves as a crucial financial resource, aimed at offsetting the administrative expenses of our Grand Lodge through strategic investments. The ultimate goal is for the fund's capital to grow to a point where the returns can cover, if not exceed, the operational costs of the Grand Lodge.

The financial foundation of FA-100 relies on two key streams: proceeds from the sales of distinctive items such as the Grand Master's neckties, bow ties, and cummerbunds, as well as voluntary contributions from particular Lodges and individual Brothers. The continued growth and success of FA-100 depends on the collective efforts and support of our Craft, highlighting the importance of active participation from all members.

District Committeemen are encouraged to collaborate closely with their Zone Chairman and District Deputy Grand Master, seeking their guidance in engaging with Lodges within their District. Their primary duty is to educate fellow Brothers about the significance of FA-100. During Lodge visits, District Committeemen should advocate for including the FA-100 Program in Lodge budgets and promote the sale of associated items while requesting donations. It's crucial for them to maintain accurate records of all contributions and sales, reporting them regularly to their District Deputy Grand Master and Zone Chairman.

District Deputy Grand Masters are responsible for promoting the FA-100 Program and advocating for additional funding through donations and sales initiatives. They must ensure that District Committeemen track and submit all received funds, maintaining accountability. Additionally, they should encourage Lodges and Brothers to allocate funding for FA-100 in their budgets.

Zone Chairmen play a pivotal role in coordinating efforts between District Committeemen and District Deputy Grand Masters, disseminating information about FA-100, maintaining inventory accountability, and providing quarterly reports on sales and donations to the State Chairman. They also ensure proper documentation and recognition across Zones, Districts, Lodges, and Brothers.

Let's not forget: the Grand Lodge's support is essential to our Lodges, but it requires our financial backing as well. The FA-100 Program, with its sales of neckties, bowties, and vests, symbolizes our unwavering support. Thank you for your dedication to our great Grand Lodge and esteemed Fraternity.

I extend my deepest gratitude to Most Worshipful Don Cowart, Grand Master, for allowing me the honor to serve this illustrious Fraternity. Collaborating with you, along with the dedicated Grand Lodge Officers and support staff, has been a true privilege.

**Please make sure all checks are made out to Fraternal Administrative Endowment Fund (FA-100) so 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: _____

Absolutely please feel free to reach out to me at any time if you need assistance or support. It's important for accountability that you copy me on all emails and submissions. My aim is to ensure transparency and effective communication throughout our endeavors.

Fraternally submitted,

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