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Fall 2021 Report

I want to thank you all for allowing me to be your Treasurer for Region 5 and particularly those who have served on the Finance Committee and supported me by reviewing information, asking questions, and making suggestions.

For me, this last year has been a chance to learn new skills and to grow in my role as a Region 5 Officer. The Board has had to confront new obstacles and issues as a result of the changes in our world, but as we say, HP never closes a door without opening a window!

We have continued to receive generous contributions from members and groups that make up for the income we would normally have from the Convention and Assemblies. At the same time, the fact that we have been meeting virtually reduced our Convention, Assembly, and World Service Business Conference expenses. As a result, our spending has exceeded our income by only \$6465 in the last 9 months.

Our 2021 budget was set up to have a much larger deficit of almost \$20,000, including increased donations to World Service. The goal was to increase spending in new and creative areas that would help the Intergroups and groups in our Region. This is my challenge to our Assembly Representatives and the Intergroups they represent – so many groups and events continue to be virtual. How can we strengthen their program and ours? Do we need to improve our presence on-line? Do we need to increase our outreach via letters, fliers, and phone calls? Do we need to help groups find ways to safely meet in person or supply resources that can improve their ability to have hybrid meetings?

While we may not carry out all of our goals in the next year, we have Committees that can design projects and start to implement them. Our job as the Region 5 Board is to make sure you have the resources to do this. I've tried to build those resources into the 2022 budget and hope we can take advantage of them.

Your Trusted Servant,

Region 5 Treasurer,

Linda Post