

Elmer Moyer Emergency Fund - COVID-19 Financial Assistance Criteria

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The Pacific Northwest Forest Service Association (PNWFSA), known as the Old Smokeys, recognizes the potential financial hardships both current and retired Forest Service employees may encounter due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Elmer Moyer Emergency Fund was created to be able to give back to the Forest Service community when there are times of financial hardship. The following criteria will be used to evaluate requests for financial assistance:

- 1) A brief written statement from the individual, family, or sponsor of their financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- 2) A personal reference, with contact information, that can confirm the individual is in financial hardship. This could be an Old Smokeys Area Representative, friend, co-worker, religious leader, etc.

Requests for financial assistance can be sent to the Grants@OldSmokeys.org email account or brought forward by an Area Representative. The Grants Committee Chairman will coordinate with the Board President who will consult with the Past President and President Elect, giving the PNWFSA Board a 24-hour advance email notice. The President can allocate up to \$1,000 per request using this process. The President will notify the recipient of their award. All personal information will be strictly confidential.