GUIDANCE FOR VISITATION & ELECTION STIPENDS (updated November 2023)

Fraternities and groups provide a stipend <u>according to their means</u>, to the Visitors, for travel expenses in accordance with the *National Statutes* article 18:8.

In addition, the local fraternity arranges for overnight lodging if needed.

Please have the fraternity treasurer write one check made payable to "BSSF Region" for the travel expenses for the Pastoral Visitor and Fraternal Visitor and any additional contribution you might like to make to the Region to help defray overall expenses associated with visitations and elections.

<u>Note</u>: If a religious is the Pastoral Visitor, please write a separate check made payable to that Visitor for his/her travel expenses and any additional stipend you might like to contribute for their service.

We suggest that payment in the amount of **35 cents per mile** travelled by the Visitor, to and from the visited local fraternity, be made to the BSSF Region.

The travel expenses are for each Visitor. We try to schedule Visitors that are close in distance to the fraternities and groups so there is less mileage involved. Also, sometimes, visitors are able to travel together to reduce expenses involved.

If any of this is a hardship, you may send an offering in installments.

Thank you for considering our time and efforts to serve you. It is our pleasure to spend time with you and be your servant leaders.

Send your check to our Regional Treasurer, Zubair Simonson, OFS, at the address below or give it to the Fraternal Visitor during the Visitation.

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Peace and All Good,

Your Regional Executive Council