

Relief Committee Annual Report to New York Quarterly Meeting
January 20, 2019. Brooklyn Meeting House

New York Quarterly Meeting Handbook requires the Relief Committee to meet four times per year. During the year 2018 the Committee met four times; we also held on-line consultations. We carefully and lovingly considered five requests for assistance. We made five grants and one loan.

Because the Clerk forgot to write the annual outreach letters to loan recipients during the spring, that task was undertaken during the fall. As part of the letter we regularly ask loan recipients to update us on their status and encourage them to initiate a repayment plan if they have not already done so. In this letter we also offered loan recipients the option to convert a loan to a grant. At this point there are four loan recipients.

During 2017 we received payments from three loan recipients. We welcomed Andres Colapinto to the committee and regretfully accepted John Slater's resignation. We are in the process of reviewing old committee files with the goal of establishing regular Relief Committee document storage with the Quarterly Meeting records at 15 Rutherford Place.

As a committee of the Quarterly Meeting with fiduciary responsibility, we carried out the following tasks:

1. Held our regular internal audit and presented to the books to the Quarterly Meeting's auditor for review. The anonymity of fund recipients was maintained.
2. Returned excess funds of \$21,958 over the allocated \$36,620 to the Quarterly Meeting's Combined Trusts on January 19, 2018. Note: as has been the practice, these funds were added to the Relief Committee's endowment.
3. Received our annual distribution from the Quarterly Meeting's Combined Trusts of \$27, 527 on October 3, 2018.

We encourage the monthly meetings to counsel members and regular attenders about the availability of either a Relief Committee loan or grant for emergency needs other than "business purposes, speculation or education." (New York Quarterly Meeting Handbook, page 8.)

Respectfully submitted,

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