M&SONIC OUTREACH SERVICES

Greetings Brethren, Ladies and families:

This month we will review information pertaining to Masonic Outreach Services (MOS) for "Masonic Senior Outreach."

If a Mason or his family needs more help than the Lodge can provide, a call is warranted to Masonic Assistance at 1-888-466-3642.

MOS for senior Masons, wives, widows and minor children are outlined as follows:

Masonic Assistance Role:

• Intake interview assesses primary concerns & collects data regarding the applicant's living situation, potential risks, and current needs (20-45 minutes).

• MOS determines the type of services or support necessary, and presents options to the member applicant.

• MOS will provide resource information and initial application for either Masonic homes or Masonic Seniors Outreach services.

• On going care plan: Applicant/client may live in their own home or other facility. MOS will assist in attaining a modest lifestyle. In-home care services may be approved not to exceed 21 hours per week.

Services Provided:

1. Information and referrals for community contacts and personal professional guidance.

Eligibility for these services do not require Masonic affiliation. Contact information: (888) 466-3642

2. Case Management including:

Assistance securing community resources. These services are need based, there is no time limit. MOS offers guidance and hands on assistance.

Eligibility: Applicant must be a California Mason in good standing, his wife, widow or minor children.

3. Financial Case Management:

MOS to provide a care manager. Applicant must meet financial criteria.

Eligibility: Applicant must be a California Mason of 5 or more years in good standing, his wife, widow or minor children.

Applicant must demonstrate financial need (no minimum or maximum established). Have no more than \$2,000 (single person) 0r \$3,500 (couple) in liquid assets.

Financial aid may not be used to pay off debt.

This assistance is only available if the applicant is already receiving, and has exhausted, all community, state, federal and possible family support.

This assistance does not apply to skilled nursing or 24 hour home care.

Repayment of assistance is expected, if the applicant attains assets to do so.

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