

## **A Message from the Treasurer's Desk – October 20, 2021**

With your help, NY Inter-group has survived the greater part of the pandemic, but we continue to need the support of our groups and members. This is a difficult time for all, as groups transition from Zoom to in-person meetings. The outlook for contributions from newly restarted in-person meetings and during Zoom meetings is very fuzzy.

To provide some context, contributions averaged \$72,000 per month for the first half of this year, while expenses (excluding the Zoom contract that ended in March) averaged about \$51,000. Since the summer, contributions have taken a hit, averaging only \$52,000 per month over the July-September quarter, while expenses averaged about \$55,000 a month over the July-September quarter. So, contributions are down, but expenses are about even. With average monthly expenses a few thousand more than contributions, net income is averaging about -\$3,000 a month. While we have about five months of prudent reserve now, earlier in the year we had been adding to our prudent reserve, but we are now eating into our prudent reserve.

AA's pamphlet [Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix](#) reminds us: "Our groups, our areas, and A.A. as a whole will not function unless our services are sufficient and their bills are paid." Your group and individual contributions continue to be needed, where possible, to ensure that NY Inter-group stays strong with the ability to help the alcoholic who still suffers and help our local groups convey the message of hope.

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