# "Taking Care of Our Own"

The Senior Living Foundation works in several different ways. First, our Resource Center provides information and assistance in obtaining community, state and federal resources. Often, guidance in navigating through the bureaucratic maze to obtain the available help is all that is required. When more help is needed, the Foundation stands ready to provide financial assistance to fill the gap. Whether it is a simple request for information, a need for emergency intervention or more substantial financial involvement, we are able to make a difference in our colleagues' overall quality of life. Evidence of need is required for consideration of financial support. Our social worker handles each case individually. In addition, the Foundation promises total confidentiality to all who come to us. Our Educational Programs provide colleagues with the information and guidance from experts in their fields to help prepare them for the future.



The Resource Center, directed by our caring and knowledgeable social worker, tries to match community, state or federal resources with an individual's needs.

# Senior Living Foundation

## Mission:

The mission of the Senior Living Foundation of the American Foreign Service is to provide support to retired Foreign Service personnel and their spouses (including surviving and divorced spouses) and, on the basis of need, to defray the cost of home health care services, senior housing, long term care insurance, or other senior services that contribute to the health and security of the retired Foreign Service family.

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The Senior Living Foundation of the American Foreign Service is a tax-deductible 501(c)(3) charitable organization.

If you or someone you know needs assistance please contact us.

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Senior Living Foundation's New Parent Program

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Your support of the Foundation is vital to our mission!.

### The Senior Living Foundation's Greatest Challenge

As word of the Foundation spreads, we face an increased demand for our assistance. Our existing clients are finding their rent and basic living needs increasing while the harsh economy has forced many new colleagues to turn to us for guidance and financial help.

This leads us to our greatest challenge:

For the Foundation to stand ready to provide the financial support these colleagues need, we must have adequate resources. Once the Foundation takes a case, it is a lifelong commitment and we must have the resources to honor that commitment.

## Parent Program

Historically, The Foundation has offered assistance only to retired Foreign Service employees and their spouses. Most recently, SLF has expanded its reach to include elderly parents and/or parents-in law of active duty FS personnel needing assistance.

#### Who is Eligible? >>>

Elderly, in need parents and parents-in-law of active duty Foreign Service personnel.

#### How it Works >>>

Grants for this program of up to \$5,000 will be awarded per parent, per year, depending on financial circumstances. Multiple grants can be awarded to the same family, depending on the individual needs of those requesting assistance. Additionally, SLF could pay for the ongoing care management services during the grant year. Funds for this would be separate from the initial grant award amount.

#### How Do I Apply For

**Assistance?** Requests must be submitted by the active duty Foreign

Service employee on behalf of the parent/parentin-law needing assistance. Grant base parent circu

Eligibility for grant assistance will be based on the parents' financial circumstances and not the child/active duty FS personnel. Requests for assistance should be sent to the SLF via email or phone. Once received, prospective

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grant recipients will be referred to SLF's social worker for an initial

assessment in order to determine eligibility. Additional documentation such as financial statements may be required to ensure that grantees meet the financial criteria.



#### Building a Proud Tradition >>>

For more than 25 years, the SLF has provided assistance to scores of retirees in the form of advice, guidance, and direct financial support. Our goal in all cases has been to ensure the safety, quality of life, and dignity of those we serve. The generosity of our donors makes it possible to continue this important work.

### A time of service, a time of need >>>

*"Much of my own Foreign Service career involved caring for private American citizens abroad. I feel we can do no less for our own friends and colleagues."* 

~Ambassador Maura Harty