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Dear F/friends,

We hope that you are in good health, good spirits and discerning a new normal for this period of Covid-19 induced change in our lives. There are many ways F/friends are reaching out to each other during the quarantine, including lots of Zooming with creative ways to worship, sing, play, connect, do business, and even dine.

We thank you for your financial contributions to the life of the Meeting. They are much-needed as we continue to pay staff, taxes, utilities, and other expenses.

Due to the quarantine and disruption to health, well-being, and finances, Olympia Friends Meeting is experiencing a decline in revenue. We have no rental income, and financial contributions from members and attenders have decreased. Our expenses for March were more than our income.

So, a gentle suggestion that if you are accustomed to paying by check and the satisfaction of putting it the giving box at Meeting, consider paying online for the time being. It's very easy. Go to <http://olympiafriends.org/>, and click on "donate" in the upper right of the web page. This will take you to a page with a gold-colored "donate" button. Click that, and it will take you to a page where you put in the amount you wish to donate and click to either pay by credit/debit card or by PayPal. Alternately, you can mail a check to the Meetinghouse, 3201 Boston Harbor Road N.E., Olympia, WA 98506.

These are tough times. The physical, emotional, spiritual and financial resources are strained for many. And yet, we have each other. Thank you for all you are doing for your families, Meeting, the community, and in the world.

In the Light,
Finance Committee, Olympia Friends Meeting