



The Peace Endowment Fund

The Peace Task Team is working on plans to grow the Peace Endowment Fund which supports District peace education including the District Peace and Conciliation Advocate.

Fund History – The district started a Peace Endowment Fund, to support and staff peace education in the District, in 1982. In 1988 the First Peace Auction at District Conference was held to raise money for the fund. An auction has been held at District Conference every year since. In 1996 the District was challenged to raise \$50,000 for the fund by 2001. The fund reached \$52,000 as it was invested with the Brotherhood Foundation, by 1999. People and congregations made monetary contributions to the fund in addition to participating in the Peace Auction. The district supported peace education through an amount contributed to the fund from the District budget each year from 1989 until 2008. “Multiply Your Talents” (in which individuals were given a small amount of money to use to grow into more to be contributed to the endowment) was used as a fund raiser for the first time in 1996.

Current Fund Status – Investment income from the fund was greatly reduced due to poor performance by the stock market in 2018. Interest income and income from the Peace Auction has not been enough to meet expenses. To maintain the fund, the principle in the fund (\$30,000) cannot be used. If income does not increase, major cuts will need to be made in peace education efforts in the district starting in 2021.

To Support Peace Education – If you would like to make a contribution to the Peace Endowment Fund, separate from participating in the Silent Auction, you may do so at the Peace Display at District Conference. Checks should be made out to Northern Ohio District with

“Peace Endowment” on the note line. Contributions may be made to the fund at any time by sending them to the District Office.