

How And Where To Send Support Funds

The handling of your support funds is an arrangement that will be important throughout your time as an AIM student. The greatest frustration in receiving support is keeping the lines of communication open and flexible. We highly suggest monthly newsletters, personal notes, and phone calls to all supporters.

One thing you will need to communicate with your supporters is how and where they should send your monthly (or one-time) support. We suggest two ways to route money:

1. Sponsoring Congregation

Find a congregation (supporting and/or home congregation) that would be willing to collect all of your money and write one large check, monthly. This is required after the first 9 months in Lubbock.

You might ask:

If they are willing to write a check for the expected amount, whether all the money has been turned in or not.

Because the timing of supporters checks can sometimes be unpredictable, in this way the sponsoring church can offset that and help you have a fairly stable and reliable income each month.

If they will write a check so you will receive the check by mail by the 1st of the month or deposit the check in your local bank account (where the congregation is located) by the 1st of the month.

If they are willing to communicate, on your behalf, with those who are not turning in money or are frequently late.

If they will send your check to the AIM Office or to your apartment mailing address (apartment assignments will not be given out until the day of registration).

Funds can also be sent to:

AIM Office 3723 34th St. Lubbock, TX 79410-2895 Other notes:

- o Make sure you keep lines of communication open with phone calls, letters and personal notes to supporters.
- We highly suggest sending money through a supporting/sponsoring congregation from the beginning. Once the first nine months are complete, we require every student to use this method for routing their money. Therefore, by handling it this way from the beginning, you will save yourself the hassle of having to make that transition after the first nine months.
- o In the absence of an actual congregation that is willing to do this, some students have had a parent or individual church member help them in the collection of checks and correspondence.

2. Sending Money Through The AIM Office

Some students send money through our office. This can only be done within the first 9 months.

o Supporters can make their checks out to AIM and mail to:

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- o Once we receive the check or money order we will record it on a ledger balance with only your support money listed.
- o You can periodically check on your balance of incoming money, and make withdrawals or transfers to cover expenses.