

## **Plotnick Nursing Education Volunteer Fund**

This fund supports HVO's nursing education projects and volunteers who seek to improve the quality and availability of nursing education around the world.

Nurses, HVO members with confirmed HVO assignments, may apply for funding to defray some of their travel-related expenses. The minimum assignment length eligible for support is 2 weeks. Preference is given for assignments that are at least 4 weeks or longer.

## The funding levels are:

- Caribbean, Central and South American sites \$500
- African or Asian destinations \$1,000
- African or Asian destinations (time at site is greater than 6 weeks) \$2,000

To be considered, the volunteer should let the Volunteer Placement Coordinator know of their interest. Requests will be reviewed by a committee. HVO must have a copy of the itinerary which clearly notes name of traveler, destination and cost.

Once funding has been approved, a check will be issued to the volunteer. Should the assignment not happen, full reimbursement of the funds to HVO will be expected. If the assignment is cut short due to a situation at the site beyond the control of the volunteer, no reimbursement is expected. If the volunteer, however, decides to leave early for personal reasons, a prorated amount should be refunded to HVO.

As a reminder, additional costs that are not covered by this fellowship are tax-deductible if you are a US citizen. Please complete the Financial Contribution Form on the <a href="HVO website">HVO website</a> documenting any additional costs. HVO will send you a letter acknowledging those additional expenses as a tax-deductible contribution to HVO which you should keep with your receipts in your tax file.

Thank you for sharing your time, skills and expertise.