

Frédéric's E-Gazette

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Q: Our annual budget is about \$120,000 plus food. We request grants in financing our activities. Recently, we have been turned down due to the lack of certified statements. Given that an audit would have little value aside from this requirement, is there any SVdP policy on Conference audits?

A: The Society has always recommended that Conferences have an informal audit annually or at least when a new president takes office. Because of the size of your program, you need to decide if the cost of a formal audit is justifiable related to the grant request. It boils down to your choice: fulfill the requirements associated with the grant request or withdraw the request.

Q: A parishioner is requesting for someone to pick up her husband from an adult day care and take him home on occasion when she can't do it. My question is would this be ok from an insurance/legal standpoint? It was suggested that I ask you if we are covered under the group insurance from the National Society. Also I am sure anyone that would do this from our Conference would have their own car insurance.

A: From an accident standpoint, the car insurance of the Vincentian covers it. From a liability standpoint under group insurance, it would be covered as long as everything is done in a Vincentian way. For example, person-to-person works of charity are done by two Vincentians.