

AMANJ's CONFERENCE ROOMING SUBSIDY TRIAL ...

In seeking to address the fact that many municipalities have eliminated payments for overnight stays, adversely impacting the ability of many assessors to attend the assessor's continuing education conference, the AMANJ (through its education fund) has approved a one year trial subsidy of the room costs (for a limited group of full registration attendees who meet additional criteria). This action is geared to promote attendance and enhance the opportunity to engage in the "networking" aspects of the conference.

How this "trial" would work ...

For the 2010 Conference AMANJ would set aside a group of rooms, through its education fund, for two (2) night stays (Monday & Tuesday night) and reimburse those occupants for that room cost.

With the presumption that requests would exceed rooms available, the "who" of who would occupy those rooms would be determined by lottery from among those who applied for the rooms.

Eligibility requirements would be as follows:

1. Dues-current member of AMANJ,
2. Full registrant for the conference,
3. NOT having any municipal (or other) funding available for any room related expenses, and
4. **Application must be submitted on or before Tuesday, May 24th, 2010.**

To maximize the impact of this subsidy, there would be two issues given "Preference" among those applying for room subsidy:

1. ***Occupancy incentive*** ... to offer the subsidy to the greatest number of AMANJ members, those applying for double occupancy (each qualifying for room assistance) would be drawn first. If there are any rooms still available, a lottery for those requesting single room occupancy, would occur.
2. ***Travel distance incentive*** ... to enhance the opportunity of room subsidy to those who have the greatest distance * to travel (and be the least likely to "day hop"), those requesting rooms would be "entered" in the lottery an additional number of times reflective of their distance ** from Jersey City.

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Please remember that this entire "trial" is just that. It is a first attempt to address a need and we will, at present, leave it to a post conference review to judge the premises under which it is structured. With that, let me attempt to explain the travel distance incentive. That being, that in relation to travel distance from the conference, as earlier stated, room subsidy might be of greater benefit to those traveling greater distances.

* As such, we've broken the distance, from the Conference, into 40 mile increments and all qualifying entries will have their entry multiplied by the number of their zone to indicate the number of chances they will have in the room subsidy drawing. Remember ... as earlier stated, it's a trial and will be subject to review and comment post conference.

those traveling less than 40 miles would be Zone #1 ...	one entry
those traveling 40+ to 80 miles would be Zone #2 ...	two entries
those traveling over 80 + miles would be Zone #3 ...	three entries

** To simplify the distance issue, it would be the distance from your office to the site of the conference (The Hyatt Regency Jersey City, 2 Exchange Place, Jersey City, NJ 07302) as reflected in the "mileage" total as depicted on your *mapquest.com* inquiry. That "mileage" is to be noted on your application.

The "trial" year rules for distribution of available rooms would be as follows:

1. Applications would be accepted from AMANJ members, planning to be full registrants of the conference (along with details in regard to their status on preference issues). The application is part of this mailing.
2. It is presumed that there will be more requests for rooms than rooms available. As such, there would be a lottery drawing from those meeting the eligibility (and preference) requirements.
3. Those chosen will be notified and arrangements will be made. The reserved rooms would be transferred, by the AMANJ, to those who would occupy the room and those parties would be directly reimbursed for the room rate.
4. Applications **must** be received by **Friday, June 11th, 2010.**

APPLICATION FOR ROOM SUBSIDY CONSIDERATION:

An application for those interested in applying for subsidy of the room cost for the AMANJ Conference, Monday & Tuesday, July 12th & 13th, 2010.

As a requirement for consideration, the applicant must be a dues current member of AMANJ, must plan to (and if approved actually) register and pay a full tuition for the conference, and certify that the applicant(s) do not have any municipal (or other) funding available for any room related expenses (for this or any other conference or seminar).

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
Employer _____

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
Employer _____

TELEPHONE # _____
EMAIL _____

HOTEL
OCCUPANCY: SINGLE: _____ DOUBLE: _____ OTHER: _____
(check 1)

OFFICE
DISTANCE: Mileage from office to hotel **per mapquest.com:** _____

I am a dues current AMANJ member, I will be a full registration attendee of the conference, and I have no available source of income, for hotel related expenditures, for this or any other educational offering (excepting out of pocket payment). In signing this application I attest that I qualify under these criteria.

Signature of applicant

Signature of 2nd applicant (if room shared)

Return applications to :

Email: swalters@uftnj.com OR
Regular mail: S. Walters, Assessor, Upper Freehold Twp.
P.O. Box 89, Cream Ridge, NJ 08514