

Prescott Insight Meditation
February 26, 2019

Dear Retreat Supporters,

A number of you have inquired about how we spend monetary contributions to our annual Generosity Retreat. I hope this letter will clarify how we handle funds raised for this year's event.

This is a pay-it-forward retreat. There is no charge for participants. This unique (in our culture) annual retreat is fully supported by generosity; also called *heart-based giving*. Contributors — the organizers, the facility owners, the chef, the teacher, and Sangha members, as well as the participants, freely give intention, time, effort and actions, as well as monetary contributions to make this retreat happen. All contributions to this event are authentic acts of generosity promoting generosity in all beings, everywhere.

Our contributions are used to cover food, teacher travel and supplies needed for our six days at Juniper Well Ranch. Remaining funds will be used as follows:

To express our deep gratitude for their generosity, we will contribute a portion of those funds to both Juniper Well Ranch and our cook, Jennifer Knochel, who are giving their services freely with no request for payment. The remainder (a more substantial amount) will be “paid forward” to initiate funding for the 2020 retreat. In so doing, we develop our ability to let go, and honor our innate inter-connectedness.

It's important to note that the normal cost to rent Juniper Well Ranch for six days would be 18 thousand dollars, which doesn't include food and a skilled cook to prepare it. We have received a bid from a cook of approximately 12 thousand dollars, including food.

I hope this explanation will clear up any concerns about monies you have given or plan to give. Let me know if you have any questions regarding this. Our annual expenditures will be posted on the Prescott Insight Meditation website and available in hardcopy form, soon.

If you would like more information on the retreat and how to contribute, please visit our [website](#).

Thank you all for your practice and willingness to support the Dharma.

...with love and kindness,
carol cook

P.S. By the way, donating money or other support to the retreat does not affect your chances of having your name chosen in the lottery.

Prescott Insight Meditation 2018 Expenditures

CCJ donations	\$1,097.00
FCC love offerings	\$882.00
Flyers	\$53.20
Expenses [Tuesday Night sit]	\$31.60
Chef [Generosity Retreat]	\$7,020.00
Juniper Well Ranch [Generosity Retreat]	\$8,805.27
Expenses [Generosity Retreat]	\$203.75
Chef [Fall Retreat]	\$3,152.00
Garchen [Fall Retreat]	\$2,550.00
Howard Cohn [Fall Retreat]	\$617.00
501(c)(3) fee	\$75.00
IRS: 501(c)(3)	\$275.00
Best Pick	\$130.00
Registration hosting [Generosity Retreat]	\$45.00
Total	\$24,936.82