



# Father Joseph M. Shimanek Fund FAQ

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## **Question: Why is the Joliet Cursillo in need of money?**

- The cost of a Cursillo weekend is on the rise, which is consistent with the rising cost of material goods and services in the current economy.
- The amount charged each candidate for a weekend does not cover the real cost of a weekend.
- For the past few years weekends and miscellaneous items needed for weekends have been subsidized through an endowment and various donations.
- For many years team leaders have also covered extra costs.
- Raising the cost per candidate to cover the real cost would result in fewer candidates and team volunteers.
- Weekends may become unaffordable for many candidates to attend.
- Many seminarians and priests are unable to cover the cost of a weekend.

## **Question: Why a pay it forward program?**

- Because the school of leaders, after much prayer and deliberation, has decided that this is one avenue to make Cursillo weekends more affordable.
- Because the school of leaders would be remiss if they did not make the fourth-day community aware of the financial status of the movement.
- Because the commitment and involvement of the fourth-day community seems to be the most reasonable source of support for the Cursillo movement.
- Because we are continually being asked to financially support all types of charities, so why not ask the fourth-day community to support the Cursillo movement and give the gift of a Cursillo.
- Because research shows that continual giving programs work.
- Because a continual giving program will help cover the costs for seminarians and priests.
- Because it is another way to help bring a friend to Christ.