# **ASHRAE General Funds Q&A**:

## Q: What are considered 'General Funds'?

A: This is the catch-all classification used when discussing all of the smaller funds used to support numerous programs of ASHRAE.

This includes: Support for special research projects Specialized educational publications Sustainability projects at the Annual or Winter Conferences, YEA (Young Engineers in ASHRAE) Leadership Programs

## Q: Can funds be earmarked inside the 'General Fund' classification?

A: Of course! We always want to ensure that donors can support the programs they wish. Noting on the check or summary form exactly which program the money should be earmarked toward will allow Accounting to credit the money properly.

### Q: What are the sustainability projects at the two Conferences?

*A:* These are community-focused projects, selected and supervised by the Host Chapter at each Annual and Winter Conference. Past projects include improving the energy efficiency of a homeless shelter, improved IAQ of a school for at-risk children, and improved HVAC systems at a women's shelter. These projects highlight the benefits that ASHRAE, its Members, and the HVAC&R industry bring to the community and serve as a *Thank You!* and lasting benefit of hosting a conference.

### Q: What are the YEA Leadership programs?

A: Young Engineers in <u>ASHRAE</u> focus on developing the leadership, professional and networking skills of ASHRAE Members 35 and younger. Funds earmarked toward YEA will be applied to YEA Institute programs, which include a variety of educational and professional development opportunities, such as YEA Leadership Weekend, YEA Leadership International, Leadership U, and the HVAC Design Essentials Scholarship.

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