Dear Alumni Corporation Presidents and Treasurers and FSILG Stakeholders,

As mentioned at last week’s AILG Plenary Meeting, the AILG web pages are now updated for FSILG-related giving during MIT’s Fiscal Year 2017 (FY17), which ended this past June 30. Here are some highlights.

**FSILG Direct Donors.**

The [FSILG Direct Donor Recognition program](http://www.mit.edu) has been in operation for several years now. The purpose is to recognize donors who give directly to their FSILG. Each year, Alumni Treasurers send in names of people who contributed to their chapter or national organization through a variety of means, including the Society for the Preservation of Greek Housing. This past year (FY17), twenty-six FSILG chapters participated, providing the names of just over 1100 donors. These totals are impressive, especially since there few active capital campaigns at this time. Every donor, for FY17 and the three preceding fiscal years, is listed on [this web page](http://www.mit.edu). All this data has been to the new AILG web site from the Alumni Association web site, where it had been hosted since 2009.

Please remember the donor names are furnished by the Alumni Corporation Treasurers of each participating chapter. The Treasurers work hard, as we do, to make sure the lists are accurate and the donor wishes to be listed. However, if you do note an error, please let us know and it will be corrected.

**IRDF Donors.**

The [Independent Residence Development Fund](http://www.mit.edu) (IRDF) has been an essential part of the financial bedrock which has sustained our FSILGs for many decades. A few years ago, we worked with the Alumni Association to develop an [IRDF Donor Recognition](http://www.mit.edu) web page, where another set of generous alumni/ae are now listed. In the just concluded FY17, over 600 donors contributed well in excess of $500K to the IRDF. Because their gifts are made through MIT, IRDF donors also receive all the usual benefits that come from making a gift to the Institute. Other than Unrestricted Gifts, the IRDF still has probably the broadest donor base of any MIT fund, thanks to all these donors.

As you know from your involvement in the FSILG community, our FSILGs rely on the IRDF today more than ever before. Besides the low-interest loans for capital projects, the IRDF supports MIT’s FSILGs through grants for education and safety. Almost every MIT FSILG has been a beneficiary of these grants many times over. Several important FSILG community-wide
initiatives have also been made possible by the IRDF, including the recent fiber optic network upgrades and the installation of next generation wireless equipment in all FSILGs. Also, the new FSILG Facilities Assessment program could generate several new requests for IRDF loans and grants.

Thanks again to all of you who make this possible, and who work so hard on behalf of this remarkable FSILG community at MIT. And we’d especially like to thank AILG Ombudsperson Stan Wulf ’65, who coordinated this effort on the FSILG alumni side again this year, and Sarah Wentz and Devone Williams of the MIT Annual Fund, who managed the MIT side of this project.

Thank you,

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