



# AFLC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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## FLY Convention®

National Gathering for Free Lutheran Youth



The Free Lutheran Youth Convention or FLY Convention® is the biennial conference for the teenagers and friends of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations (AFLC). The purpose of FLY is to provide the local congregation with a tool to win the lost, to build the believer, and to encourage student disciple-making in the local congregation.



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One pandemic result was FLY not being able to hold the convention in its normal schedule during 2021. Through arrangements with the YMCA of the Rockies, the convention has been postponed until July 2023. This step enabled the FLY Executive Committee to limit the exposure of event expenses and to prepare for a future opportunity.

AFLC Youth Ministries provides administrative support and paid staff to the volunteer FLY Committee for the two-year planning cycle. FLY extends a gift each cycle to AFLC Youth Ministries for its vital activity with the national youth gathering. The FLY postponement was necessary, but it leaves AFLC Youth Ministries without the expected income from FLY for 2021.

Since FLY has previously received gift forgiveness from AFLC Youth Ministries in other convention cycles within the last decade, the impact of missing FLY income in 2021 is noteworthy. In addition, the AFLC Youth Board requested amount from FLY does not cover all department expenses as AFLC Youth Ministries partners by investing in the FLY Convention. The financial gift from FLY to AFLC Youth Ministries for 2021 was to be \$45,000 for the youth department's contributions.



## Funding Opportunity

**\$45,000**

Financial support to  
AFLC Youth Ministries  
for postponed  
FLY Convention