



**Statement by Deborah Landey to the AFICS/NY Annual Assembly  
on behalf of  
the President of the AFICS/NY Charities Foundation, Anthony Fouracre  
Thursday, 22 May 2025**

My name is Debbie Landey. I am an Honorary Member of the AFICS/NY Governing Board and the First Vice-President of the Charities Foundation.

I am making this statement on behalf of the President of the Charities Foundation, Mr. Anthony Fouracre, who could not be with us today.

As many of you know, the Charities Foundation was established in 1997 to assist members of AFICS/NY and other qualified former international civil servants who: face critical, unusual or emergency personal hardships of a temporary nature which cannot be met from other available resources; seek to acquire or upgrade skills for post-retirement activities; or wish to support a humanitarian effort consistent with the United Nations Charter. Qualified individuals are those who served locally or internationally and are in receipt of a pension benefit from the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (UNJSPF), their dependents and survivors (including current or former spouses or domestic partners, and dependent children).

Grants of between \$1,000 and \$6,000 may be given out after consideration by the Foundation's Assistance Review Committee (ARC). Since its inception, the Charities Foundation has made over a hundred grants for a total of over \$190,000, including one grant made in 2025 for \$6,000. The Foundation operates with empathy and in the strictest confidence.

Recently, the President of the Charities Foundation made an appeal for contributions and outlined the ways in which you can donate. You will find this information on our website.

Thank you all so much.

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