

Pacific Yearly Meeting
AFSC Representatives
Report to Representative Committee 2022

Report from PacYM AFSC Corporation Members Ramona Hussey (Honolulu MM) and Stephen McNeil (Strawberry Creek MM)

Friends may have heard that AFSC is struggling to find a way forward in implementing its strategic plan, adopted by the Board in 2020.

Background information, including a transcript of a Zoom call with nearly 300 F/friends, may be found at the following link from *The Western Friend*. The Director of the AFSC/Friends Relations Office, Lucy Duncan, has been fired.

<https://westernfriend.org/search/node/AFSC>

AFSC Leadership Staff members responded to the original article in a letter at the link below:

<https://westernfriend.org/media/afsc-leadership-responds-perilous-crossroads-letter>

In it, they stated “We welcome any member of the community of Friends to be in touch with members of the Leadership Team or contact Hector Cortez, deputy general secretary, with specific questions that they would like addressed. Hector can be reached at hcortez@afsc.org.”

Ramona and Stephen have spoken with Western Regional Director Sonia Tuma (Orange Grove) and participated in several Zoom calls. Sonia emphasizes that AFSC Programs in the West/PacYM region are proceeding to do good work. Friends may read the February 2022 newsletter here: <https://tinyurl.com/mwznnh9y>

The AFSC Corporation meets virtually April 7-9, along with the Board of Directors. We expect to report back to PacYM.

We are not able to discern a way forward currently, and ask that Friends hold AFSC, staff and volunteers, in the Light.