

Financial Situation - Peter Sage

I am a recent college grad with no major assets other than the savings listed below. My parents get by fine but do not have much extra money to share beyond what it takes to maintain their housing and expenses.

Income and Assets

- ~\$12,000USD in savings
 - Planning to use some of this to practice in retreat and attend teachings by my Lamas this fall and spring in order to prepare for three-year retreat
 - Will need savings to show the French government for visa throughout the retreat
- Earning \$600 per month after taxes this summer by working at Gomde CA
 - Job is only from June through August
 - Will not have a source of income this year while in retreat and receiving teachings

Sponsorship for retreat

- My parents will likely be able to contribute \$6,000
 - Father is retired with mortgage and other expenses
 - Mother is a school teacher in her 60s with minimal assets and planning for retirement
- So far Dharma friends have contributed \$1,000
 - Several others have expressed interest in contributing but not specified how much
 - I will continue to crowdfund and hope to raise at least a few thousand more dollars by connecting with dharma friends and relatives