

MONTHLY LEAD APPLICATION

NYC / Boston / DC-Baltimore / San Francisco / LA / Denver / Austin / Pilot Meetups

First Descents Monthly Leads serve as local leaders by planning and leading Monthly Meetups in FDTribs and other communities, while modeling and inspiring others to embrace an *Out Living It* lifestyle of their own. They are motivated, reliable, and eager to put in the time to support the FD community in their hometown. We are looking for two Monthly Leads to serve their local community. The current established Monthly Meetup Tributaries cities are NYC; Boston; DC/Baltimore; San Francisco; Los Angeles; Denver; and Austin. FD will also support Monthly Meetups in any other FDTribs, not previously listed (we have 18 of them!), or in towns that aren't an official FDtrib! You can see a list of our current FDTribs [here](#). If you live outside of the previously listed cities and are looking to bring Monthly Meetups to your hometown, please refer to the 'Pilot Meetups' section below.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Monthly Meetup Facilitation & Logistics:

- Schedule, plan, coordinate, and attend each Monthly Meetup in your Trib City.
- Post Monthly Meetups on your local Tributaries Facebook page ahead of each Monthly Meetup and answer any questions Trib community members ask on the Facebook page.
- Actively recruit participants for each Monthly Meetup in order to ensure attendance goals are met.
- Help coordinate transportation for participants, including carpooling.
- Uphold FD's [Code of Conduct](#) at all times.

Safety:

- Ensure the physical and emotional safety of all participants by adhering to First Descents' Safety Rules and Policies.

Administrative:

- Complete all necessary reporting back to First Descents Headquarters (FDHQ) in a timely manner.
- Maintain the highest level of confidentiality and professionalism in regards to participant information.
- Stay in line with the Monthly Meetup budget set by FDHQ.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ESTABLISHED MONTHLY MEETUP TRIBUTARIES:

- Have attended a First Descents Week-Long program - both oncology and MS participants are welcome to apply!
- Commitment to plan and debrief eleven Monthly Meetups annually - with each requiring the below time commitment on average:
 - 1.5 hours - Meetup planning, w/ support from FDHQ
 - 3 hours - Meetup facilitation
 - 0.5 hours - Post-Meetup debrief w/ FDHQ

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- In the event you are unable to attend a Monthly Meetup, you are responsible for finding a replacement to fill in for you
- Live within a reasonable distance of your Trib city (0-2 hours driving distance) and be willing to commute to each Monthly Meetup at your own expense.
- Previous event or program planning is a plus!
- Be inclusive of all participants and welcome all new participants with a nickname and group introduction, as well as educate them about all that FD has to offer.
- Have the credibility and ability to command respect from others – possess influential, diplomatic, positive and motivation skills, in order to work effectively with fellow participants.
- Set an example for what it means to embrace the *Out Living It* mantra.

REQUIREMENTS FOR PILOT MEETUPS:

In addition to the requirements listed above for the established Monthly Meetup Tributaries, anyone looking to start Monthly Meetups in their community must have:

- One additional local alumni willing to lead the Monthly Meetups with you
- Have attended a First Descents Week-Long program - both oncology and MS Alumni are welcome to apply!
- Demonstrate at least five other young adults in your area are interested in attending Monthly Meetups on a consistent basis.

STIPEND FOR ESTABLISHED MONTHLY MEETUP TRIBUTARIES:

First Descents will provide a \$450 annual stipend per Monthly Lead based on the successful facilitation of eleven meetups (January to November) with a maximum total stipend of \$500 per year.

STIPEND FOR PILOT MEETUPS:

First Descents will provide a prorated stipend dependent on the month in which you begin your Monthly Meetups. Each Monthly Lead will be awarded a stipend after each successful meetup with a maximum total stipend of \$500 per year.

APPLY:

We encourage you to apply with another First Descents alumni! If you would like to do so, please make sure to mention their name on the application, as well as have this individual apply and mention your name on their application. We can't wait to have such an amazing network of Monthly Leads to help the FD community flourish! Please send any questions to logistics@firstdescent.org.

To apply, fill out our form [HERE](#).

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