

FAQs:

Where will my donation go?

Anywhere you want! You have the ability to direct your donation to any program, scholarship, department, or school of your choosing.

The Southern Fund is the lifeblood of support for SAU and helps keep tuition costs down. If you do not have a specific interest in any programs or scholarships, the Southern Fund is regularly used to aid students in their education.

For a full list of scholarships and giving opportunities please go to southern.edu/advancement or ask us!

How will I know how my gift was used?

The Advancement office operates under the “Donor Bill of Rights.” Meaning, payroll deductions are receipted annually at the end of the year. All other gifts receive a tax-deductible acknowledgement letter for each gift, stating the fund that has been credited.

Why doesn’t the school budget accommodate all of SAU’s financial needs?

Higher education institutions are increasingly looking for private sources to meet funding issues. The paradigm must shift from believing that the budget can cover all expenses while upholding our core value of affordable education.

How does the Bridge campaign benefit me?

The Bridge campaign is a comprehensive fundraising effort that will benefit the entire campus. This campaign is for any and all projects, departments, endowments, and scholarships. Whatever you put into the campaign will turn around to benefit you.

What is the easiest way to give?

A payroll deduction is the easiest and most convenient way to give. Simply fill out the form found online at www.southern.edu/bridge and send it back to us at Advancement.

When will my payroll deductions begin and end?

Payroll deductions are taken from the second payroll each month after enrollment and continues until you request for it to end. Or you can also designate a beginning and end date.

How can I donate when I have not had many pay raises and make below the industry standard?

We recognize that everyone's situation is different and not everyone can give the same. But the Bridge campaign does not emphasis giving a specific dollar amount, but rather participate. Give what you can! Through our collective efforts and by giving up a few vending machine drinks we can give so much to our students. Below is a table showing what if every employee gave up a certain amount per pay period:

<i>\$5/pay period = \$59,000+</i>	<i>\$10/pay period = \$118,000+</i>
<i>\$15/pay period = \$178,000+</i>	<i>\$20/pay period = \$237,000+</i>

I donate enough of my time and energy to SAU, why should I donate money too?

Your gift encourages others to give too. As we try to provide the most affordable Adventist education, the support we receive from our employees is crucial. When we seek philanthropic relationships with corporations, friends, and foundations, it strengthens our efforts when we can show how our employees have committed themselves financially to SAU.

Employee-giving shows a dedication to SAU that comforts donors and conveys our passion and integrity in our wishes.