

How we hold sliding scale offerings

[This chart image](#) can be a another helpful way to view the information shared below:

Community Context.

Folks receiving support from **our mutual aid cycle** or who are paying at the **lower end of the scale** are:

- Living with injured or less-abled bodies or difficult-to-thrive nervous system conditions, unable to work consistently or at all right now, and/or
- Living with debt and/or accruing debt to meet basic needs, pay for gas, prescriptions, etc, and/or
- Regularly making careful choices around budgeting groceries, utilities, prescriptions, and basic health care, and/or
- Supporting more household or family members than their paygrade can maintain, and/or
- Dealing with immigration-related or basic housing-related instabilities, and/or
- Lacking the privileges of higher education or perhaps the first person in their family / household to hold a college degree

Folks paying at the **higher end of the scale**, and folks who are contributing to the mutual aid fund:

- Have access to consistent work that pays at a level more than adequate to cover housing and living expenses for themselves and their dependents, and/or
- Are able-bodied and their physical, mental, or nervous system concerns do not impact their ability to feed and house themselves, and/or
- Hold one or more higher education degrees and / or specialized training, and/or
- Have ability to maintain a savings account, and/or
- Have access to passive income or family money and support, and/or
- Hold capital in ownership of a car or home, both, or more than one of either, and/or
- Can afford to travel for leisure, eat out regularly, or hold membership at recreational spaces

Community Responsibility

Because we offer several weekly slots to clients and groups who are unable to pay at this scale or at all, clients who find themselves in seasons of comfortable financial resources are invited into community responsibility to pay towards the higher end of the sliding scale.