Musicians Guide

What is the Film Musicians Secondary Markets Fund ("FMSMF") and the Live Television Videotape Supplemental Markets Fund ("LTVF")?

FMSMF is the nonprofit organization that collects, processes, and distributes secondary market residual payments to Musicians who worked on an AFM covered film, TV and streaming media programs.

LTVF is a sub-fund of the FMSMF. LTVF also collects, processes, and distributes supplemental market residual payments to Musicians who worked on programs produced under the AFM’s Television Videotape Agreement.

What are Secondary Market Residuals?

Secondary Market Residuals are deferred wages paid to Musicians who worked on an AFM-covered film, television or streaming media program.

These residuals are then paid when the film, TV or streaming media program moves from its medium of initial release to exhibition on a new “secondary” platform.

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This generalized chart does not include specific terms. Contact the AFM office for specific limitations and applications.

Who is Eligible for Secondary Market Residuals?*

Scoring Musicians: Including leaders, conductors and contractors

Sideline Musicians: Musicians who have mimed/appeared to play an instrument on-camera in an AFM covered film or program

Music Preparation Musicians: Including arrangers, orchestrators, copyists and librarians

“New-Use” Musicians: Musicians who performed on a pre-existing recording (recorded under a different AFM agreement) that is used in an AFM covered film or program

*In order to qualify for residual payments on a particular title, a Musician MUST appear on an AFM B-form session report for that title.

How Do I Find Out More?

For more details about FMSMF or LTVF, you can:

- Visit our website to learn about naming your Beneficiary
- Visit our websites at fmsmf.org or ltvf.org and check if you have Unclaimed Residuals
- Email us at participantservices@fmsmf.org
- Call our Participant Relations Hotline at (888) 443-6763

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