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As a result, income exceeded expenses and posted a \$1,646 surplus in the month of September. Fiscal year-to-date deficit is \$3,656 and represents 14% of our total savings (Funds 2, 50 and 55).

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- *Russell Leanza, MHCUCU Treasurer*

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CONCERTS & MASTERCLASS

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