

## THE PURPOSE AND FUNCTION OF THE SERVICE UNITS OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

1. The primary purpose of an N.A. GROUP is to carry the message to the addict who still suffers by providing a setting for identification and recovery where an addict can come for help if he or she has a desire to stop using.
2. The purpose of an AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE is to be supportive to the N.A. Group and its primary purpose by associating the Group with other Groups locally and by helping the Group deal with its day-to-day problems and needs.
3. The purpose of a REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE is to be supportive to its Areas and Groups and their primary purpose by linking together the Areas and Groups within the Region; by helping the Areas and Groups deal with their basic problems and needs; and by encouraging the growth of the Fellowship.
4. The purpose of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES is to insure the continuation and growth of N.A. by seeking new and better ways to carry the message to the addict who still suffers; by seeking to insure the maintenances of the Twelve Traditions; and by dealing with those things, both within and outside the Fellowship, which affect the continuation and growth of the Fellowship.
5. The purpose of the WORLD SERVICE OFFICE is to be supportive to the Fellowship as a whole, and to define and impliment the policies of N.A. The W.S.C. does this by joining the members, Groups, Areas, and Regions of N.A. into a united Fellowship; by dealing with the problems and the needs of the Fellowship; and by actively encouraging the primary purpose and growth of Narcotics Anonymous.
6. The purpose of the WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE is to be supportive to the Fellowship as a whole, and to define and impliment the policies of N.A. The W.S.C. does this by joining the members, Groups, Areas, and Regions of N.A. into a united Fellowship; by dealing with the problems and the needs of the Fellowship; and by actively encouraging the primary purpose and growth of Narcotics Anonymous.

## OUTLINE FOR NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS GROUPS

Narcotics Anonymous is a non-profit fellowship of men and women for whom drugs had become a major problem. We are recovered addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay 'Clean'. Our program is a set of principles, written so simply that we can follow them in our daily lives. The most important thing about them is that 'They Work'.

The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using drugs. We have no dues, fees or assessments of any kind but we are self-supporting through our own contributions by our own members.

N.A. is not affiliated with any other organizations regardless of seeming similarities, neither are we connected with any political, religious or law enforcement agencies and are under no surveillance at any time. Anyone who has the one basic requirement: A desire to stop using drugs, may join us regardless of age, race, color, creed religion or lack of religion. N.A. does not engage in any outside controversy, neither do we endorse nor oppose any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay "Clean" and help others to achieve the same goal.

1. It is suggested that each group obtain a copy of the Service Structures of Narcotics Anonymous "The N.A. Tree", as soon as possible.
2. When two or more members meet regularly at a specified time and place and use the Twelve Steps and the Twelve Traditions as their guides; They may call themselves a Narcotics Anonymous Group as long as they have no outside affiliations, are self supporting and are registered with the World Service Office, Inc.
3. N.A. meetings are conducted by recovered addicts for addicts. We use our present N.A. literature as our text. N.A. is a personal and spiritual program, therefore personal experiences, life stories and/or N.A. principles or N.A. general information should be the main topics at N.A. meetings.
4. All N.A. groups should keep the World Service Office, Inc. informed as to their location; Kind and time of meeting; Name of group secretary and mailing address.
5. New groups should send for free Starter Kit: It contains all the basic material to get started. Group registration form is in kit and should be returned as soon as possible to----

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6. Much needed contributions from groups or area service committees for the support of Narcotics Anonymous World Wide Service, should also be sent to above address.