

CIRCLES OF LOVE AND SERVICE

Alcoholics Anonymous Oakland County Central Office



STEP ONE

We admitted we were powerless over alcohol- that our life had become unmanageable

TRADITION ONE

Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on AA unity

STEP TWO

Came to believe that a power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

TRADITION TWO

For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority-aa loving god as he may express himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; then do not govern.

Transitions

BY KIM C

Our last official newsletter was in November 20(?) before the Covid Pandemic. We all may know of someone in our fellowship who was struck down with the virus and we know how being in recovery from a life threatening disease....we take precautions and practice spiritual principles every day. Our central office functioned on a needs basis regarding product and the hotline was answered by the General Secretary and the steadfast volunteers. We are moving towards steadier hours and are looking for volunteers to operate the hotline. Please call our office and leave your name and number and availability and someone will get back with you. Many groups adapted to the Zoom format and now are migrating back to the brick and mortar rooms. Some are hybrid meetings with some days on Zoom and some days in the rooms. Either way, please update your information with the General Secretary so we can print an updated directory.

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Central Office

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of the Central Office is to receive, distribute, and follow-up on 12 Step calls. We also answer inquiries about A.A. and cooperate with local public information committees.

The Central Office also maintains information about local hospitals and recovery facilities for alcoholics. We provide local A.A. meeting lists as well as a newsletter.

The Central Office also fulfills the critical function of ordering, selling, and distributing A.A. literature.

Transitions Cont.

Our purpose at the AA of Oakland County is to communicate with the public who is in need of information and direction as to how to get information about our fellowship and to provide literature. This office has started in the 1970s and has a long history of being a place to go to and grab a cup of coffee, get some flyers about upcoming events or just shoot the breeze with other AA members.

Here is a reading from one of my NYC zoom meetings "AA is not a religious organization. Alcoholic Anonymous has only one requirement for membership and that is the desire to stop drinking. There is room in AA for people of all shades of belief and non-belief.

Many members believe in some sort of god and we have members that come from and practice all sorts of religions; but also many are atheists and agnostics. It's important to remember that AA is not a religious organization; we have a simple idea that there is a power greater than us as individuals. What we all have in common is that the program helps us find an inner strength that we were previously unaware of-where we differ is in how we identify the source. Some have the thought of the word God as standing for "good orderly direction", or "group of drunks" or even "gift of desperation", but many of us believe that there is something bigger than ourselves which is helping us today.

.....The "God" word pamphlet -P-86