



Al-Anon Family Groups

Help and hope for families and friends of alcoholics

SCWS Delegate's Report

November 20, 2021 Assembly

62nd Annual World Service Conference (WSC) 2022

- ▶ The WSC will take place from April 25 – May 1, 2022
- ▶ The WSC will take place in person in Tarrytown, NY – near Stepping Stones, the former home of Bill W.—co-founder of AA and Lois Wilson – co-founder of Al-Anon.
- ▶ Theme: Enhancing Our Recovery through Abundance, Unity, and Understanding

World Service Office Program Services



Registers new groups



Supports international structures



Maintains and updates meeting locations



Produces new, exciting literature



Prepares program and staffs the World Service Conference (WSC)



Maintains our website, enhances communications, and develops PSAs



Attends professional conferences to share the Al-Anon message

Chairman of the Board (COB) Letter

- ▶ Share highlights of the October 2021 Board Week
- ▶ International Coordination Committee (ICC) is planning the 2022 International Al-Anon General Services Meeting (IAGSM) in London, England October 12-15, 2022. The theme is “Connecting Hearts and Minds Around the World.”
- ▶ The Board approved a request for Russia to register a General Services Office on a 3-year trial basis.
- ▶ COB Letter will be published soon on the Al-Anon member website.

World Service Office (WSO) current major projects

- ▶ Electronic Meeting Transformation
- ▶ 2023 Al-Anon International Convention July Santa Fe
- ▶ First Longitudinal Study
- ▶ 2022 International Al-Anon General Services Meeting (IAGSM)
- ▶ NEW DAILY READER (working title) Translation
- ▶ 2022-2025 Service Manual Translation
- ▶ WSO Compensation Study

AFG Finance Update Jan.-Sept., 2021

- ▶ Literature sales \$1,409 million
- ▶ Contributions \$1,806 million
- ▶ Other income \$ 473K
- ▶ Total revenue \$3.689 million
- ▶ Total expenses \$3,799 million
- ▶ Net decrease \$(110,391)
- ▶ Literature sales were slightly below YTD budget.
- ▶ Contributions were slightly above YTD budget.
- ▶ Total 2021 revised revenue budget: \$5,100,135
- ▶ Thank you for your consistent, continuous contributions!

Accepting Electronic Meetings as Groups

- ▶ The Conference Leadership Team, which prepares the WSC agenda, reported during the COB presentation: “We are hopeful to welcome a Delegate from the non-geographic, non-panel Area to an historic World Service Conference—our first new Area since Alaska was admitted to the World Service Conference in 1987.”
- ▶ There are roughly 600 Permanent electronic meetings. The World Service Office is meeting with the members listed as the current mailing address (CMA) for these meetings or with newly elected Group Representatives. They will hold their first Assembly in January. According to the WSO: “Many of the groups in the non-geographic Area are interested in being connected to a geographic service Area.”

Al-Anon Longitudinal Study

- ▶ Every three years Al-Anon conducts a Member Survey on the Al-Anon website. This year's Survey, which was conducted from June 16 to July 27, 2021, will be published on the Al-Anon website in February, 2022.
- ▶ The WSC approved Al-Anon's first Longitudinal Study. Members who completed this year's survey were invited to sign up for a 5-year annual study which will look at the effects which continued membership in Al-Anon has on members' health and well-being.
- ▶ The results may provide "scientific" evidence to the professional community on the benefits of Al-Anon membership

In the Loop

- ▶ This occasional e-newsletter from the World Service Office is written not just for GRs but for all Al-Anon members. Please encourage the members of your group to register to receive it at:
- ▶ Al-anon.org/emailme

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