

2018 District 8 Inventory

1. What do you think is the basic purpose of the District Committee? See 2010 Inventory

Contribute to carrying the District conscience to the Delegate

Encourage acquaintance of GSR's/Committee members with AA service literature.

Stay up-to-date regarding AA "corporate."

Singleness of purpose/1st Tradition unity

Clearing house for information to and from Groups

Workshop organization

Traditions into action

Administering service positions and responsibilities

Do you think we are achieving this purpose? Yes. There is room for improvement, particularly in the area of reading and understanding service literature. And in service committee participation.

Who in the room knows the purpose of the Concepts?

2. What additional activities can we engage in, to carry the message?

Promote service participation. Participation in PI/CPC.

3. Considering the number of alcoholics in our district, are we reaching enough people?

Define enough...of course we could always do more. AA has had a flat growth curve for over 15 years...clearly more can be done. However, there are many alternatives to AA now available, treatment facilities are not suggesting AA as aftercare, bad press, HIPPA constraints were mentioned as potential obstacles to carrying the message of AA outside the Group context.

4. What has the District done lately to bring the AA message to the attention of professionals who can be helpful in reaching those who are need of AA?

The position of Treatment Committee Chair has only recently been filled, so nothing had been accomplished in that context for several years. Our PI/CPC Committee has been virtually a one-man show for years, greatly reducing its effectiveness. The District looks forward to some improvement in the near term.

5. Do we try to illustrate a good cross section of AA in our message carrying?

Yes

6. Do new GSR's, Committee Chairs, Officers, and members stick with us, or does our turnover and missed meetings seem excessive.

We could do better. There is very little participation District wide.

7. Do we treat all the officers, GSR's and Committee Chairs equally, or do we treat some differently than others?

Equally.

8. How effective are we in communicating with all our Groups?

Very good in providing GSR's and Primary Contacts with information. They could do much better in passing that information along to the Groups.

9. Do all AA's know about district meetings and have the opportunity to attend?

Do they know...don't know. Opportunity to attend...yes.

Moving District Meeting around to promote participation.

10. Has enough effort been made to explain to all, the value and purpose of a GSR?

No. Visits to all the Groups by DCM, bring pamphlets. The DCM position is currently vacant.

11. Do all GSR's have adequate opportunity to serve on committees?

Yes. Do they...no.

12. Are the District Officers and Committee Chairs elected with the appropriate care and consideration?

Yes

13. Are District Officers and Committee Chairs well informed of the scope of their service authority and service responsibility by specific job descriptions or guidelines?

No. They are provided the means to obtain that information, but are slow to obtain it, or read it.

14. Do our Groups carry their fair share of supporting the District, Area, and GSO?

Financially, yes. Not as to participation.

15. How well are our Groups informed about what is happening in AA worldwide?

Ask the GSR's. Based on the number of GSR's participating at the District level...not very. Same applies regarding the General Service Conference.

16. Are our District Service Meetings informative and enthusiastic?

Our District Meetings are... Since the service committees do not have participants, there are no service meetings.

17. Do we have an effective system for the accounting and reporting of funds?

Yes

18. Do we have sufficient operating funds and apply prudent financial principles to their use?

Yes

19. Are the issues brought to the District made clear so all know what they are voting for or against?

Yes, abundantly.

20. A) Are all important decisions reached by discussion, vote, and whenever possible, substantial unanimity?

Yes. Who in the room knows what substantial unanimity means?

B) Is adequate opportunity given to all members to participate and speak, in order to arrive at the actual voice and effective conscience of our District?

Yes

21. How do we treat the "Right of Appeal," thus assuring that the minority opinion will be heard and that petitions for the redress of personal grievances will be carefully considered?

There is ample opportunity for everyone to sufficiently express their views/position.