FEBRUARY 21, 2026

Area World Service Committee

DELEGATE'S REPORT

Chairman of the Board Updates from November 2025 Delegate's Call (From October 2025 Board Week)

Agenda

- Chairman of the Board Letter
- Financial Overview
- Conference Leadership Team
- Policy Committee Update
- Al-Anon's 75th Birthday

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD LETTER

- Board Week Format Trial Shortened Board Week Trial ended - back to 4 day (from 3)
- Bylaws Review to Determine if They Are Clear and Understandable
- Executive Director job description update
- Implications of Expanding WSO Staff Beyond 49 Employees
- Outsourcing of Event Planning of WSO Events
- 75th Anniversary Ticket Price $75

Strategic Plan Initiatives Updates
Preliminary Overview: 2026 Strategic Plan Landscape

- The Strategic Leadership Team (SLT) reviewed all the projects to be worked on in 2026
- 11 of the 12 projects are carried over from 2025
- The review's purpose is to ensure the Board is aligned with the WSO staff direction.

CONFERENCE LEADERSHIP TEAM

The Conference Leadership Team (CLT) is responsible for preparing a World Service Conference (WSC) agenda

World Service Conference
Affirmation of Position Nominations

- A poll of the WSC members determined their desire to hold the process virtually before WSC.
- This will give more time at WSC for other agenda items.
- Position nominees: Trustees, Board Officers, and Executive Committee for Real Property Management member
- The nominee affirmation will be held virtually for World Service Conference Members on March 28, 2026. Two-thirds of WSC members make a quorum and we cannot vote unless we have at least two thirds in attendance.

World Service Office Finance Update

2025 YTD Results and 2025 Budget Amounts From October 2025

	YTD Actuals	YTD Revised Budget
Revenue		
Literature Sales—net	$1,870,672	$1,873,165
Contributions	$2,635,949	$2,074,519
Other income	$812,199	$830,127
Total Revenue	$5,318,820	$4,777,811
Total Expenses	$4,884,165	$4,993,808
Change in Net Assets Increase / (Decrease)	$434,655	$(215,997)

Policy Committee Update

Dilution of the Al-Anon Program Thought Force:

- **Charged with reviewing the reports of previous thought forces and the entire section "Dilution of the Al-Anon Program" within the Digest of Al-Anon and Alateen Policies**

- **A Task force was created as a result of the Thought Force findings.**

Policy Committee Update Continued

Choosing a Group's Name Policy & Implementation Update:

There was a lot of discussion at last year's WSC about the Group Name Policy change.

A group conscience vote determined that the Delegates were agreed with the policy change they had voted on, but there was confusion about the implementation.

A 1 year pause was implemented to allow the Delegates to discuss together with members, and help educate their groups on our primary purpose as some groups don't always welcome all members..

For our Area of CA-S: I attended one subject specific District meeting in 2025, plus offered four dedicated sessions of discussion, including one session in Spanish - with a member's translation. I got an opportunity to listen and hear the voices of our members - and provide some clarification.

WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE

Monday - April 20 through
Friday - April 24, 2026

Newport News, VA

Consider Sending Worlds Of Encouragement

I greatly appreciate receiving cards at the World Service Conference (WSC)

Cards should arrive after April 17th

Please Mail to:

Teresa F. (Hold for WSC 4/20-4/24, 2026)

Newport News Marriott at City Center

740 Town Center Dr.

Newport News, VA 23606

Please put the following for the return address:

Teresa F., Delegate

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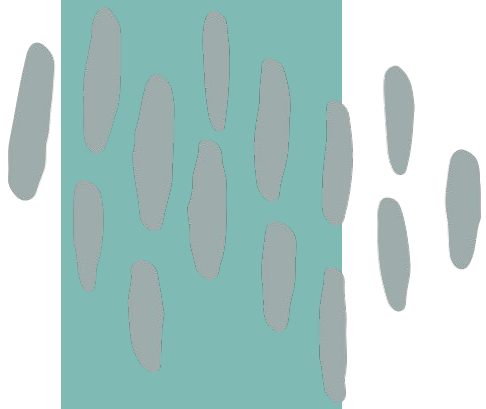


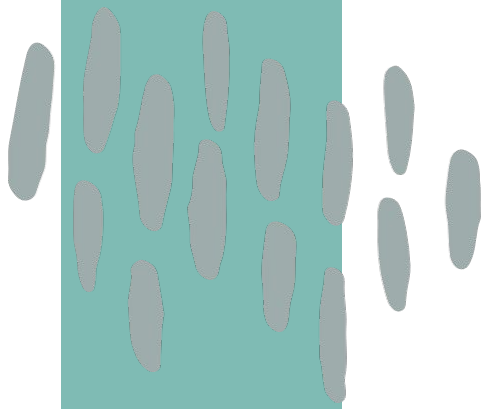
LOVE GIFTS

The 2026 World Service Conference (WSC) is coming up in just over two months. Although we are a large Area, we have not paid attention to Love Gifts for the World Service Conference in a long while.

<u>Love Gifts* for the World Service Conference</u>
Although Delegates may *hand-carry* love gifts* to Newport News, Virginia, t*o *share with other Conference members, t*he World Service Office (WSO) <u>will not</u> accept any boxes, packages, or large envelopes of love gifts delivered to the hotel.

Contact me to meet half way for pickup!

***Love gifts are for other Delegates to bring back to their own Areas to share with their members. I was finally able to do this at the November 2025 Area Assembly, and I will again, but don't we want to have items *from* our own Area to take with me to share, besides bringing some back?**



75th Anniversary World Service Office

Saturday, April 25, 2026

12:00- 3:00 PM Eastern Time

Where:

1600 Corporate Landing Parkway
Virginia Beach, Virginia

Arrive before 2:00 p.m. to enjoy a free guided tour and learn more about the office and the dedicated Staff behind the scenes.

Learn more about our WSO and see firsthand how their team supports the worldwide Al-Anon fellowship.

A Gala Banquet
6:00 PM - 10 PM

An evening celebrating 75 years of recovery. Where - Newport News Marriott at City Center - In Person Only.

There is a waiting list for tickets.