

How can I help or know more?

If you wish to find out more or help carry the message of A.A. by helping to locate members and groups who may need to be found and their hope restored **anywhere...**

You can be contacted by a member who will keep you posted about our activities. Please use this form and **photo, scan, or type it to:** remotecommunities@area15aa.org

First Name _____ Last Initial _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone (_____) _____ - _____

Check one: Mobile or Home

Language(s) Spoken _____

Do you live in, travel to, or know of a remote community? _____

Does your Group or District have an RCC Chair?

Yes No Don't Know

→ More effectively connect *remote* persons and groups with ongoing "sponsorship".

→ Find more effective ways to connect people returning to *remote communities* from treatment and corrections facilities to AA.

We invite all of you to join us.
Opportunities for service are
anywhere and everywhere.
There are many opportunities to serve.

Be Involved

Be Inspired

Be of Service

***We fill gaps
and build bridges.
There are bridges to build.
But we need the builders !***

¿Dónde puedo encontrar una reunión de AA?

Как можно найти собрание AA?

Ki koté réunion Alcohol Anonime?

REMOTE COMMUNITIES

remotecommunities@area15aa.org

Area website - <http://area15aa.org>

"Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics achieve sobriety."



Remote Communities Committee

Remote Communities serves A.A. in places where it is challenging to carry the message because of:

- Language – linguistic, dialect
- Culture – customs, beliefs
- Geography – travel, locale

AREA 15
SOUTH FLORIDA,
BAHAMAS, VIRGIN ISLANDS,
ANTIGUA, ST. MAARTEN,
CAYMAN ISLANDS

Carrying the Message

- What Remote Communities is:

A "remote community" is any place where it is difficult to carry the A.A. message because of language, culture, or geography. Members faced with these challenges or barriers could separate a person (who wants A.A.) from our lifesaving program of recovery.

The **mission** is creating an awareness of the needs of alcoholics in remote communities by going to any lengths as just one more link in the chain of responsibility in our effort to help the alcoholic who still suffers.

Our simple **Vision** for the Remote Communities Committee is to foster unity and offer all A.A. groups and emerging groups an opportunity to understand and utilize the available services of our Fellowship. We do this to help the alcoholic who still suffers by offering an invitation to become part of the whole.

What we do – help restore hope

We try to carry the AA message where it is otherwise difficult due to geographical, language, or cultural barriers. The purpose of this committee is to locate, identify and reach out to members of these communities, offering the hand of AA services.

It may seem that this committee overlaps some of the work of the Accessibilities, Treatment, PI, CPC, or other committees. In reality, while the Remote Communities Committee does work closely with other committees, we serve a different need and help fill the gap in overall 12-step work by reaching out to various "inaccessible" communities that might not fall within the vision of other committees in the Area or Area Districts:

▲ Identifying Remote Groups / Members

▲ Share Ideas ▲ Temporary Sponsors

▲ Outreach ▲ Providing Services

▲ Loners Intl. ▲ Conducting Workshops

▲ Literature ▲ Online Meeting List

If you are reading this, you are lucky to be in an AA room. Some are not so lucky...yet.

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Want to help or Know More?

Let no one who suffers miss the message of hope and recovery that AA has to offer. If you are interested in being a part of the Committee or simply want to know more about what it offers, please contact us. Fill out the info. on back and send to:

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"Are new groups and loners being visited & helped?"

(Chapter 5 of the Service Manual)

For your consideration, there is a need to:

- Reach some alcoholics living in small communities concerned that they will be "ID'd" as AA members. Anonymity concerns can cause people to be reluctant to start groups and/or attend AA meetings.

- Address concerns regarding real and/or perceived prejudice, racism, and exclusion due to cultural and/or religious differences.

- Reach people of cultural groups reporting stigma associated with Alcoholism in their community as a barrier to seeking AA's help.

Know that "Far" or "Distance" does not necessarily equal "remote". Places considered remote by some do not identify themselves as remote.