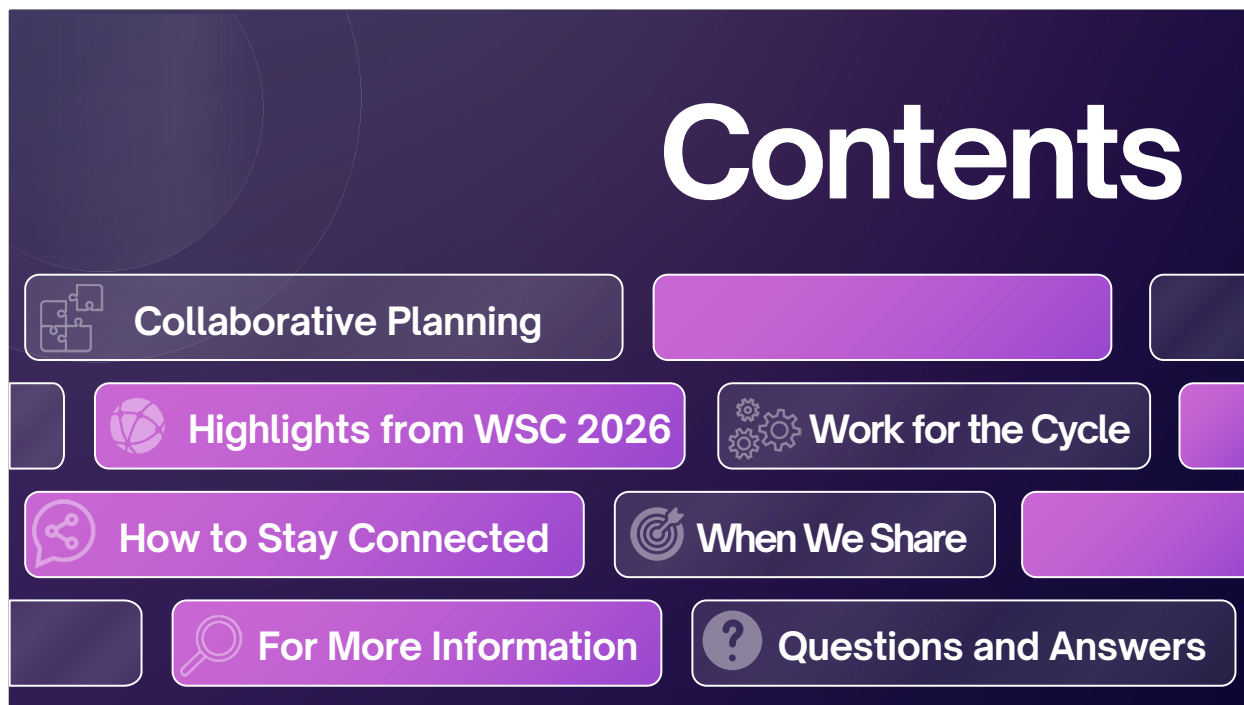


NAWS Update

The latest from NA World Services with
updates on projects and much more!



October 2026



Overview of session. 40 minutes. We'll try to save time for questions. You can always write to wb@na.org if you have a question you didn't get a chance to ask today:

- Collaborative Planning
- Highlights from WSC 2026
- Work for the Cycle
- How to Stay Connected
- When We Share
- For More Information
- Questions and Answers

A Vision for NA Service

All of the efforts of Narcotics Anonymous are inspired by the primary purpose of our groups. Upon this common ground we stand committed.

Our vision is that one day:

-  Every addict in the world has the chance to experience our message in their own language and culture and find the opportunity for a new way of life;
-  Every member, inspired by the gift of recovery, experiences spiritual growth and fulfillment through service;
-  NA service bodies worldwide work together in a spirit of unity and cooperation to support the groups in carrying our message of recovery;
-  Narcotics Anonymous has universal recognition and respect as a viable program of recovery.

Honesty, trust, and goodwill are the foundation of our service efforts, all of which rely upon the guidance of a loving Higher Power.

***Our
Common
Welfare***

Most of you have seen A Vision for NA Service before. This is the touchstone for all of the work of World Services.

WSC 2023 revised the Vision statement to change “his or her own” to “their own language and culture” as shown here.

This small change may be barely noticeable to some, but it is a big step in helping to achieve our Vision by using language inclusive of all members.



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- Part 1:** Inventory completed at WSC 2026 (Oct. 2026-Jan. 2027)
- Part 2:** Questions for Zonal workshops provided; discuss factors at regions (Feb.-May 2027)
- Part 3:** Discussions about factors and related changes discussed at zones (June 2027)
- Part 4:** Goals drafted by World Board (Aug. 2027)
- Part 5:** Finalize goals; start developing solutions (Nov. 2027)
- Part 6:** Interim WSC: Review issues and goals; discuss solutions & CAR Survey ideas (March/ May 2028)
- Part 7:** Review draft plan and solutions; identify CAR Survey ideas (Aug. 2028)
- Part 8:** Review final collaborative plan & CAR Survey (April 2029)
- Part 9:** WSC 2029: Plan released in CAR and project plans released in CAT

Phases:

- INVENTORY:** WSC 2026-2026-2029 Plan approved, planning process evaluated.
- PLAN:** Throughout cycle: Projects worked on to fulfill goals.
- PRIORITIZE:**
- EVALUATE:**

DELEGATE (under INVENTORY), **MONITOR** (under PLAN), **EVALUATE** (under EVALUATE)

Final Step: This way to the next conference cycle

WSC 2026 adopted the 2026-2029 plan and began the process of creating the 2029–2032 plan by conducting an inventory: identifying factors, inside and outside of NA, that could affect our ability to carry the message. This was Part 1 in the roadmap.

For more information on the process, see the planning section of the conference page: na.org/planning.



The 37th World Service Conference was held 3– 9 May 2026. It was the 50th anniversary of the WSC.

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- 133 delegates (127 RDs, 6 ZDs)
- 15 World Board members

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- 14 delegates
- 28 alternates
- 1 WB member



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Also present: 113 alternate delegates, 3 HRP members, 2 cofacilitators, and 6 translators.

There were 180 men, 78 women, and 2 non-binary participants among the delegates, alternates, and WB.

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- Community Building on Our Common Welfare where participants looked at the needs of newcomers
- Gender Neutral Language revisions to a piece of literature
- Planning where participants looked at factors inside and outside NA that affect the

ability to achieve our vision

- Taking Root—DRT/MAT and NA. Discussion centered around how to keep members on DRT coming to meetings
- 2 New Idea discussions around 4 topics:
 - Revisions to Tradition Eleven
 - Service material for groups
 - Welcoming newcomers
 - Making NA service more welcoming and relevant



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2. New IP/Booklet: Virtual Recovery. Ideas include getting clean on the screen, group booklet for online meetings, virtual membership and service basics, guidance for online meeting behavior.	3	
3. New book/workbook/study guide: 12 Concepts. Ideas include Concepts Working/Study Guide, Guiding Principles for Service Committees.	4	
4. New IP/Booklet: DRT/MAT. Ideas include looking for a stand or position that is clear, defining clean or abstinence, clarifying who can serve, labeling this as an outside issue, saving lives and helping members take root, including personal experience, PR and MAT, other medical treatments—medical marijuana/psychedelics for therapy.	8	
5. New IP/Booklet: Women in Recovery. Ideas include carrying the message in male-dominated communities, women-centric issues such as motherhood, menopause, sharing experience.	7	
6. New Step Guide: Focused for more experienced ment		
7. New IP/Booklet: Welcoming Newcomers and Helping Include what to do as a newcomer and how to treat		
8. No new recovery literature.		

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Revised Recovery Literature (choose up to 2)		Objective*
1. Update the booklet <i>Behind the Walls</i> (1990). Ideas include adding services available and staying clean on the outside.	7	
2. Revise Tradition Eleven to include "social media."	1	
3. Update the Booklet in <i>Times of Illness</i> (2010). Ideas include add information on medical marijuana, therapeutic use of psychedelics, and clarify around prescribed medications.	8	
4. Gender-neutral language. Investigate changes and/or additional wording to NA literature from gender-specific language to gender-neutral and inclusive language.	7	
5. Revise the Step Working Guides. Ideas include fewer leading questions, fewer questions in Step One, more questions in Step Four, more encouragement to journal, streamline the process, and number the questions.	7	
6. Update IP #26 <i>Accessibility for Those with Additional Needs</i> (1998). Ideas include acknowledging current technologies and adding something about nonvisible disabilities.	7	
7. Replace references to God with Higher Power throughout our literature.	7	
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9. No revisions to recovery literature.		

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5. Revise <i>H&I Handbook</i> .	1	
6. Revise <i>PR Handbook</i> .	1	
7. Revise <i>Planning Basics</i> .	4	

Issue Discussion Topics (choose up to 2)		Objective*
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2. Decision Making/Delegation—Ideas include consensus-based decision making and responsibility and authority over NA services.	4	
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4. Unity—Ideas include maintaining NA unity despite external politics.	7	
5. Helping Addicts Find Us—Ideas include use of technology to connect addicts with meetings and each other.	7	
6. Use of Funds, Fund Flow, and Fundraising—Ideas include 50/50 raffles, blockages in the flow of funds, anonymity in electronic funds.	6	
7. Social Media—Ideas include group use and social media as a PR tool.	1	
8. Retaining Oldtimers.	7	

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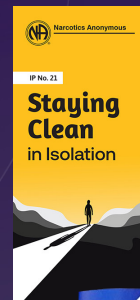
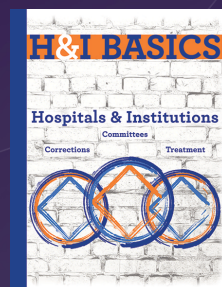
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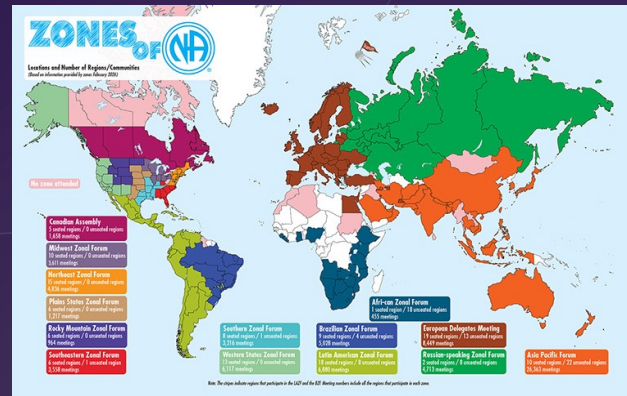
There are many ways to get and stay connected and to get involved with the work.

The following slides will show you a few.

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na.org/conference



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Opportunities to Help with the Work

For the 2026-2029 cycle, all World Services project work will be accomplished through focus groups and web meetings —there are no new dedicated workgroups this cycle. Utilizing focus groups last cycle allowed us to be more flexible and to involve many more members in the work.

We've listed opportunities we believe we will need help with during the 2026-2029 cycle. Some of these may be focus groups or web meetings. Others may be opportunities to share experience via forms, surveys, or email.

Note: there won't be an opportunity for everyone to join a focus group. Even if you do not hear back from us, we appreciate your willingness. Thank you! Sharing ideas about posted drafts, completing surveys, and participating in workshops are also very important ways to help the work.

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Do you use WhatsApp?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Please select items you have a particular interest in helping with, and describe your relevant experience in the text.

A great way for members to get involved is to fill out the volunteer/focus group form on the project page: na.org/projects.

Any member with skills or interests relevant to current projects is encouraged to use the form to speak up! That list becomes the backbone of many efforts throughout the cycle. There are projects about local service this cycle, so you don't need a ton of cleantime or service experience to participate. Not everyone will get chosen, but there are other ways to be involved—surveys, review drafts, holding workshops, etc.

Every NA member deserves the gift of serving selflessly. Let's create new tools for members and groups!

The list of available opportunities:

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are the perfect resources
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HIGHLIGHTS

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- A Guide to World Services in NA will be revised to reflect changes proposed as part of the 3-year cycle project.
- Agreed to address our generational and cultural diversity by adapting our communication methods using newer technology.
- Agreed to create a project plan relating to NA literature on inmate tablets.
- Complete Summary of Decisions at na.org/conference

WCNA

The 3-year WCNA cycle begins with WCNA 30 in Dublin, 2030! The changes to our convention rotation plan followed much discussion about the rapidly changing conditions in the world and the effect on event planning made and outside NA. The board is prepared to go forward with contracts and to begin to pin down details for WCNA 30, with open toward prudence and health care for celebration. We will email information as it is available through NAWS Update emails. If you subscribe to any of our emails, including the Just for Friday or Spiritual Principles Day meditations, you'll get the updates!

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Webinars!!

**Public Relations
trusted servants,
please join us
for a webinar.**

10 October
9am PDT
(16:00 GMT)



Central Ohio Area PR will present on their work presenting to medical students at the Ohio State University School of Medicine.

Discussion will focus on:

- How do you, as a PR subcommittee, communicate with your regional delegate for support, if at all?

Zoom ID: 860 2401 2829 Passcode: PR2026
Multiple language interpretations available, contact pr@na.org for more information.

26 September
11am–12:30pm PDT
(18:00–19:30 GMT)

**Please join us for
an open webinar**

**Safety and Belonging:
Gender-Neutral Language**



We will discuss the current project, some history, and the proposed revisions to IP #1.



Zoom ID: 838 9514 2767 Passcode: 1953
Spanish and Portuguese translation provided.
Contact wb@na.org if you require other interpretation.

The recording of this webinar is posted at na.org/webinars as well.

na.org/webinars

Another great way to stay up-to-date and involved in the discussions, is to attend one of the upcoming webinars.

There are quarterly webinars for H&I and PR trusted servants with a variety of presentations and open discussions.

As well as webinars about timely topics that the Fellowship is discussing.

Or virtual events that celebrate our recovery, like the World Unity Day event that was at the beginning of September.

The audio recording of the Safety and Belonging: Gender-Neutral Language webinar can be found on the webinar page and the recording and PPT from World Unity Day can be found at na.org/wcna.



When We Share



na.org/contribute

The biggest story for NAWS in the past six years is about how the changing world environment has affected resources, and how it has responded.

From the pandemic to wars to natural disasters, meetings have opened and closed, supply chains have been disrupted, and World Services has felt the effects.

Through it all, member dedication has been the steadying force in some very rough seas.

Contributing to Our Common Welfare session at WSC 2026

“In the face of so many other worrisome trends, remembering that we can take care of one another is so important. That’s our duty and our privilege.”

This session reminded participants of the importance of everyone’s involvement in service.

The conference discussion was guided by words from the CAR: “In the face of so many other worrisome trends, remembering that we can take care of one another is so important. That’s our duty and our privilege.”

With the important reminder that regions, areas, groups, and individuals must first take care of their responsibilities at home, conference participants worked together in pairs to consider first how to deepen the contribution conversation at home, and then what additional tools might support those efforts going forward. One of the first tools to be worked on is a resource to help groups to have this conversation.

As our relationship to self-support shifts from sales to contribution, participants were asked to consider that direct contribution doesn’t just support our spiritual mission; it’s an expression of it.

The **cost per meeting** to support NA World Services would now be a little more than **\$14 a month**.

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approximately **\$175**
Required dollars
to cover all
services from
contributions per
meeting*
\$14.58
monthly



from 2025 NAWS
Annual Report
Actual dollars
received per
meeting/group*
\$43.86

*The number of meetings from Russia and Iran are not included in this calculation, as the funds are retained within those countries and are not available for international use.

\$3.66
monthly

na.org/contribute

The session went on to outline some of the difficulties with new restrictions on international currency transfers and those communities not being able to financially join the rest of NA.

Which calls attention to some of the ways our fund flow has never really worked the way we describe it in our service materials.

It's a challenge, but it doesn't have to be a problem. If every meeting that was able to do so contributed about \$175 a year to NA World Services—a little more than \$14 a month—we wouldn't have to look to literature sales at all to fund the services the Fellowship asks for.

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2025 Annual Report

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The Annual Report tells the story of member dedication in the face of turbulent financial and geopolitical times and much more. The AR is the best picture of NAWS financials. It is published as a PDF and in a device friendly format.

It takes a long time to put together an AR. Inventories are conducted at the WSO, the branch offices and distribution centers. They do an on-site audit, conduct currency conversions, summarize all contributions, and have a World Board review. Because it can take so long, WCNA 38 was reported in the 2024 AR, even though it took place in the 2025 fiscal year.

With locations operating in different currencies and operating under different legal systems, it isn't really possible to produce a short, simple financial report. The closest to that is the financial position provided by our auditors in the AR.

Present and past Annual Reports are posted to na.org/ar.

Our commitment
to self-support
doesn't mean we go
it alone—it means
we do it together.

Guiding Principles, Tradition Seven



One thing we know about NA is that if everyone does a little we can accomplish a lot.

Member contributions continue to support our services at every level, and direct member contributions to NAWS have allowed us to increase direct support of developing NA communities.

If you're a member, you can set up a recurring or a one-time contribution at na.org/give.

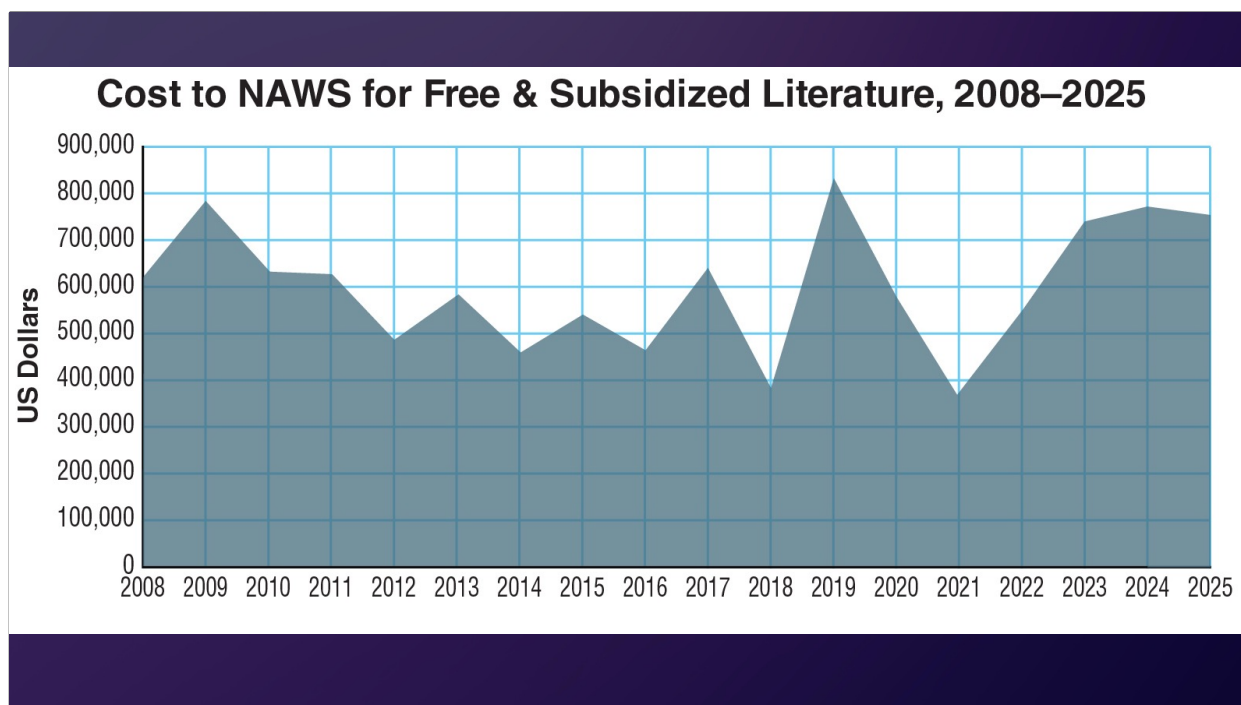


For More Information

The What Is NAWS PPT posted at na.org/what-is-na-world-services gives more detail on ongoing World Services' work. A few of those slides follow.

Plus some of our latest translations.

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This graph represents the cost of free and subsidized literature that NAWS distributes to communities around the world.

The total for FY 2020 was just under \$580,000 and for FY 2021 was just over \$368,000. The total for 2025 was \$754,054. The need continues regardless of resources available. And so does our commitment to meet that need.

The support NA World Services has received from the Fellowship help make these efforts possible.

Note: We don't report many of the details of where this literature goes partly not to embarrass or call attention to any communities. We never want to cause a community confusion or harm, even inadvertently.

Counterfeit literature limits the ability to provide services and support NA communities who ask for help.

The manufacture, distribution, and purchase of counterfeit literature undermines the Fellowship's group conscience.

Additional information can be found here:

Bulletin 34: Group Conscience and NA Literature

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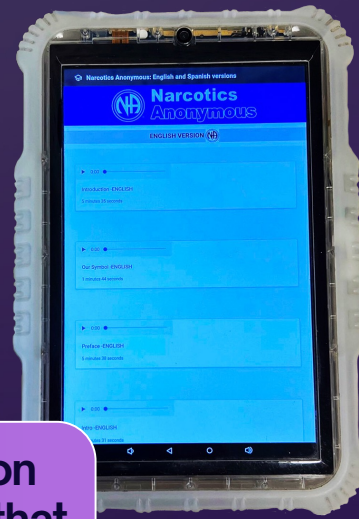
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Inmate Tablets

- Some facilities offer tablets to inmates
- NAWS clears the way to share NA literature
 - ✓ Audio BT
 - ✓ Pamphlets
 - ✓ Booklets
 - ✓ Intro Guide



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Some correctional facilities offer inmates tablets pre-loaded with a variety of material, including, in some cases, NA recovery literature, at no cost to the inmate.

One of the most important duties the Fellowship has assigned NA World Services is the protection of NA's intellectual property and copyrights on behalf of the Fellowship. Inmate tablets are a new way to carry the message, and World Services must grant legal permission to load Narcotics Anonymous literature on tablets. Each of these agreements involves a lot of communication among corrections authorities, local NA members, and NA World Services.

The agreements made in these cases allow for the material that is currently posted on the NAWS website to be on tablets for inmates – audio Basic Texts, IPs, and booklets such as the White Booklet and the Intro Guide. NAWS continues to provide paper copies of the Basic Text to inmates upon request.

NAWS has about 40 agreements, ranging in size from one jail to a big provider or with the government in the case of Sweden.

WSC 2026 agreed to create a project plan relating to NA literature on inmate tablets.

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This map shows the 105 languages NA members speak. Literature is translated into 61 of those languages.

This “Carrying the message map” is revised each fiscal year to include in the Annual Report. The latest version is posted at na.org/maps.

Not reflected in this graphic is the addition of 2 more Basic Text translations bringing the total to 42. The most recent translations are Azerbaijani, Slovenian, and Ukrainian.



Having literature in your own language saves lives. It helps addicts hear our message, understand the NA program, and connect with the shared experience of members around the world.

Translations play a huge role in carrying the message. Translations work is coordinated among a local translation committee, or LTC, made up of committed members who are native speakers, as well as contracted professionals and NAWS staff.

It takes a great deal of resources to produce translated literature. It's not just about money. The scarcest resource is human. No machine can replace the need for LTCs, because NA language uses words differently than the communities – including treatment professionals – around us. If you want to learn more about translations, check out Translation Basics, which is posted at na.org.

Product News Flash has been updated.

na.org/webstore

NA WORLD SERVICES

Product News Flash

na.org/webstore For order forms, product lists, or this flyer: na.org/order-form

Our vision is that one day:
Every addict in the world has the chance to experience
our message in their own language and culture
and find the opportunity for a new way of life.

SEPTEMBER 2026

We now have the Basic Text in 42 languages!

Azerbaijani Basic Text 5th Edition (Book 1)
► ITEM NO. AZ1101 • PRICE: US \$10.70 / 9.40 €

Slovenian Basic Text 5th Edition (Book 1)
► ITEM NO. SL1101 • PRICE: US \$10.70 / 9.40 €

Ukrainian Basic Text 5th Edition (Book 1)
► ITEM NO. UA1101 • PRICE: US \$10.70 / 9.40 €

New Guiding Principles translations

Greek
► ITEM NO. GR1201 • PRICE: US \$13.35 / 10.50 €

Swedish
► ITEM NO. SW1201 • PRICE: US \$13.35 / 10.50 €

IP #21, *Staying Clean in Isolation*

IP #21, *Staying Clean in Isolation* is the 2026 revision to *The Loner*. Even when we are emotionally, physically, or geographically alone, we can stay clean and find a new way to live.

► ITEM NO. SP121 • PRICE: US \$3.38 / 3.2 €

Spanish
► ITEM NO. SP121 • PRICE: US \$3.38 / 3.2 €

H&I Basics, revised

A three-part guide to H&I service in NA, including corrections, treatment, and committees.

► ITEM NO. 2101G • PRICE: US \$3.75 / 3.25 €

Newest translations

Latvian—*An Introductory Guide to Narcotics Anonymous*
► ITEM NO. LV1300 • PRICE: US \$2.45 / 2.15 €

Latvian—*Little White Book*
► ITEM NO. LV1300 • PRICE: US \$2.45 / 2.15 €

Slovenian—*The Narcotics Anonymous Step Working Guides*
► ITEM NO. SL1400 • PRICE: US \$11.60 / 10.25 €

Thai—*Just for Today—Daily Meditations*
► ITEM NO. TH1112 • PRICE: US \$12.30 / 10.80 €

Ukrainian—*An Introductory Guide to Narcotics Anonymous*
► ITEM NO. UA1200 • PRICE: US \$2.45 / 2.15 €

New bronze medallions

English—61 through 70 years
► PRICE: US \$4.37 / 3.76 €

New eLit

Portuguese (Brazil)—*Living Clean*
► PRICE: US \$4.37 / 3.76 €

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Free Audio Literature

Available for streaming or download—the Basic Text in 14 languages and the *Introductory Guide* in English and Spanish.

na.org/audio

Setting up a recurring contribution is the best way for members to help keep these resources free.



over 78,000 weekly meetings in 122 countries

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The Product News Flash has been updated.
This flyer will be posted quarterly. Feel free to circulate.
It can be found at a link on na.org/webstore.

na.org/wcna

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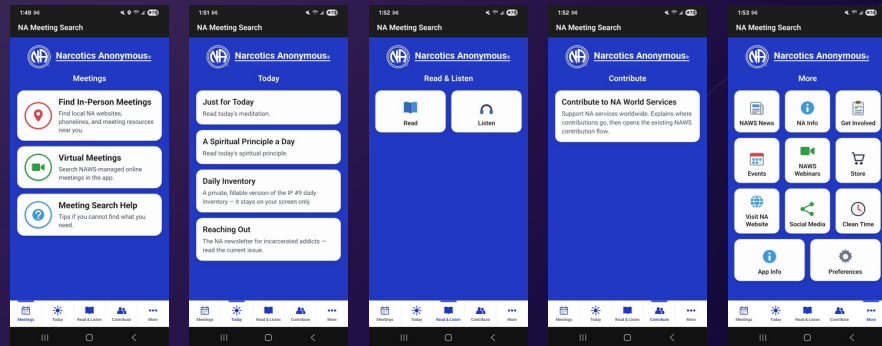
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World Service Conference: na.org/conference

FD Resources: na.org/fdresources



A complete list of short URLs is posted in Miscellaneous on na.org/maps

Most of our frequently accessed webpages have URL short cuts. Here are some of them. You can find a longer list of these shortcuts posted in Miscellaneous on na.org/maps

There is so very much more that we do at World Services, much more than we can cover in one presentation. For more information, see our FD resources page, *NAWS News*, and the *Annual Report*.



Questions and Answers