



# AREA 11 DELEGATE'S REPORT

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## Area 11 General Service Committee

Links to information:

### Report-Back on 72<sup>nd</sup> General Service Conference

A 10-minute presentation containing some summary highlights on the 72<sup>nd</sup> General Service Conference (plus much more info) is available. Click [here](#), or scan the QR code.



### 2021-2023 A.A. Service Manual

View as a PDF [here](#), or scan the QR Code



## G.S.C. Activity

**District Report-Backs:** –Districts that are interested in having your Area 11 Delegate attend a District meeting for Q&A on this year's General Service Conference, please feel free to reach out and invite.

**2023 G.S.C. Submission Deadline:** The deadline to submit an agenda item for the 73<sup>rd</sup> General Service Conference (in 2023) is September 15, 2022. See Appendix U of the 2021-2023 A.A. Service Manual to learn more about the process. Submission form [here](#).

### Area 11 Convention (9/24/22)

The Area 11 Convention is scheduled for September 24, 2022. The Convention Committee has planned for both online and in-person components. The one-day event is scheduled to take place on September 24, 2022. It will include a Home Group Celebration, speakers, panels/workshops and more! For more information, see the event posting on [ct-aa.org/events](http://ct-aa.org/events) or email [area11convention@ct-aa.org](mailto:area11convention@ct-aa.org).

### Update on Some of Delegate's Activities

In the past month, your Area 11 Delegate had the privilege of visiting three Districts for 72<sup>nd</sup> General Service Conference Q & A sessions (upon invite), shared experience on service at District 13's Day of Sharing, confirmed the existence of the groups selected for the 2022 Membership Survey, attended the National A.A. Technology Workshop, and enjoyed speaking at a NECYPAA Advisory Campout.

### Themes, Workshops, & Presentation Topics for 2024 General Service Conference (Submissions Wanted)

Please submit your ideas for themes, presentations, & workshop topics for the 2024 General Service Conference! Online form for A.A. members in Area 11 available [here](#).

### A.A. for the Older Alcoholic"

Story submissions for an updated version of the pamphlet "A.A. for the Older Alcoholic:" deadline is 9/23/22 and details are [here](#).

### Submit Stories for 5<sup>th</sup> Edition (English) Big Book, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition (Spanish) Big Book, and Updated "A.A. for the Black/African American Alcoholic Pamphlet"

Submission deadlines are October 31, December 15, and October 31 (respectively). It's not too late! Submit your story. There are submission pages available for the two books.

<https://www.aa.org/submit-bigbook-spanish-4th> and

<https://www.aa.org/submit-bigbook-english-5th> and submissions for the updated pamphlet can be sent to [pamphletstories@aa.org](mailto:pamphletstories@aa.org).

### Process Started for the 2022 A.A. Membership Survey

A sample of groups in Area 11 (CT)—8 total—were chosen to participate in this year's Membership Survey. To see an example of the last A.A. Membership Survey pamphlet that was produced, view the 2014 A.A. Membership Survey [here](#).

### General Service Workshop 10/2

While this year's GSO (online) Bus Trip was cancelled, your Alternate Delegate is planning an online General Service workshop as an alternative on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Feel free to reach out to [alt-delegate@ct-aa.org](mailto:alt-delegate@ct-aa.org).

### NERAASA Inventory Survey

The Northeast Regional A.A. Service Assembly (NERAASA) Inventory Committee wants your feedback. Please complete a survey [here](#).

**Final Conference Reports:** The Final Reports for the 72<sup>nd</sup> General Service Conference were distributed digitally to the Area Committee. DCMs are encouraged to ensure distribution to Districts. If you did not receive it, please check with your DCM. While much of the information has already been reported on in detail by your Area 11 Delegate, these reports include Board Reports, full 2021 financial reports, and more.

### Regional/International Events

Connecticut is hosting this year's New England Conference of Young People in AA (NECYPAA)

<https://necypaahost.org/>

Northeast Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (NERAASA)

February 23-26, 2023

Albany, NY

[www.neraasa.org](http://www.neraasa.org)

The Northeast Regional Forum took place this month! The next Northeast Regional Forum will be in 2023 in Framingham, MA.

Information on regional forums can be found here:

[https://aa.org/pages/en\\_US/regional-and-local-forums](https://aa.org/pages/en_US/regional-and-local-forums)

2025 International Convention!

Please complete a survey: [link](#).

FAQ on the event: Click [here](#).

### SCHEDULED EVENTS IN AREA 11:

--Area 11 Convention is coming up soon on September 24th! The committee has planned both online and in-person components. It is scheduled for September 24, 2022. For more info, please email [area11convention@ct-aa.org](mailto:area11convention@ct-aa.org)-- or for info on the Home Group celebration, [area11conventionoutreach@gmail.com](mailto:area11conventionoutreach@gmail.com).

--Area 11 Fall Assembly November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 (details to come from your Area Chair).

--Connecticut State Convention of Young People in A.A. (CSCYPAA) is planned for November 25-27, 2022 ([cscypaa.org](http://cscypaa.org)).

### General Service Board Updates

**Archives**—Updated Archives Workbook is available. It can be purchased [here](#).

**Literature Publishing**—There are discussions happenings surrounding changes to literature regarding existing inventory. “For Conference-approved books, the inventory is often greater [than pamphlets], and the investment is more costly than pamphlets, so implementation of revisions will take place in consultation with the General Manager (GM), the Chief Financial Officer, and with the AAWS board, as deemed necessary by the GM. All efforts will be made to post revised digital versions on aa.org as final approved PDFs are completed.” There have also been discussions surrounding changes regarding book dust covers for cost-saving.

**International**—The 27<sup>th</sup> World Service Meeting (which happens every two years) is scheduled for this Fall online. The theme is “Carrying the Message of A.A. in the Digital Age.” The World Service Meeting includes “delegates” from all over the world and the two “delegates” from our U.S./Canada service structure are our two Trustees-At-Large. We can later look forward to reading a Final Report on this event.

**Treatment**—The military audio interview project continues. A subcommittee has been appointed and the subcommittee is being encouraged to use various methods to communicate with A.A. members regarding this project.

**International Convention**—Scheduled for 2025 in Vancouver. A.A. members are asked to complete a survey [here](#).

**Finance and Budget**—Here are some *unaudited* updates through June 30, 2022: contribution income at about 50% of budget for the year, literature sale income

at about 52% of budget (but there are some foreseeable cost increases related to supply chain issues and whatnot), and expenses at about 47% of budget. The reserve fund hovers at around 8 months and the Committee remains cautious.

### A.A.W.S./G.S.O. Updates

**Staffing Changes and Box 459**

**Reposted**—Two G.S.O. staff members were terminated on August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022. As previously mentioned, the Summer 2022 Issue of Box 459 was not listed as the “Current Issue” on aa.org for a period of time. The issue has since been reposted.

Ultimately, it was reposted in its original form and the contemplated edits were not made to it. A memo addressing the reposting of Box 459 and the staffing changes was sent to your Area 11 Delegate by A.A.W.S. and your Area 11 Delegate then emailed this out to all DCMs in late August. If you did not receive it (but would like to read it), please check with your DCM.

**Office Operations**—Announcement from GM, including some financial projections, [here](#). January-June 2022, the team responded to approximately 15,650 unique email inquiries, received about 4,400 phone calls, performed 3,343 Area/District/Group updates. Additionally, 4,607 calls were routed through the front desk reception. The Mail and Shipping team (of two) managed 22,283 pieces of incoming mail and 10,957 pieces of outgoing mail from January to June 2022.

### A.A. Grapevine/La Viña Updates

**Price Increase**—Information [here](#).

**New Book**—Information [here](#).

Please feel free to copy this report and circulate it as needed within A.A. Groups, Districts, and A.A. Service Committees.

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