An Appeal from NA World Services

The Basic Text Project Needs Submissions

Following is an announcement that we are hoping can be made during local conventions. A well-timed announcement at conventions will spread the word about the Basic Text Project to members who might not otherwise know we need their help.

NA World Services needs you! You can help contribute to the Basic Text. Don't miss this chance to make history.

The last World Service Conference passed a motion to replace "some or all" of the personal stories in the Basic Text. We want the collection to be international and to represent the diversity of our fellowship—to illustrate the range of our experiences in recovery and our different countries and cultures.

To capture the scope of NA recovery worldwide, we need your help. World Services hopes you will share your experience for the project and that you will think about those in your community who may have experience we'd want to capture. We are trying some new things: Yes, we are encouraging addicts to write down their experience and send it in for consideration. But there are other ways to share as well. We will be interviewing some people and helping them get their experience down on paper. You can even forward names to us if you know people who have something special to share but might need help or encouragement to write it down.

And you don't need to share your experience from the very beginning to the very end. In fact, we hope to inspire people to take creative approaches to telling their stories. The most important thing is to be yourself.

Once again: We need your help. Each of us has experiences to share that could save an addict's life. Please send us yours or get in touch with us if you or someone you know needs help putting it down on paper.

We are accepting submissions from now until the end of December 2005. You can send them to the World Board care of the World Service Office (the address is on the copyright page of any Basic Text).



More information is available from the World Service Office or online at www.na.org/conference.