

Hello Montana Region!

Wow!! What a busy time at the World Service Conference! We had a great, but busy, time in Southern California! It was an amazing ten days of work, fellowship, bonding, expanding unity, and passion for the amazing program of Narcotics Anonymous! I have already sent out to the Communications List an overview of everything we have gone over including all the decisions that were made. I am so grateful for all the talented addicts that made that report look so easy, sharp, and polished. I will try to summarize everything, but this will be lengthy. I am sure there will be somethings that I am forgetting.

The beginning of the new cycle of 2026-2029 will be another crazy and busy one. So much will be going on with lots of surveys that we will need to get input on. Please stay tuned because a hell of a lot more will be revealed!

The Delegate Team really needs the help of individuals, groups, areas, and region wide to let us know what the best way would be to get all the information out. I have asked RCMs to provide me with information about when their ASC meets in hopes of joining virtually (or in person) at the meetings. I would like to know what kind of issues you are experiencing and how the delegate team can serve you better. There is a wealth of information, but that is only if we know what you want or what you need. There will be multiple surveys coming out soon, and I really want to make sure the Montana voice is heard.

We conducted the survey that was created when the CAR and Amendments were made available, and we based our responses on those for the WSC. All total, we had twenty-one responses, including all the paper surveys that were given to me at the in-person CAR Workshops. Thank you so much to those of you who filled them out. We need to find a better way to communicate and gather the information that the delegate team needs for our beautiful region. While I am grateful for the participation we did have, I know we can do better.

So... on to the information!

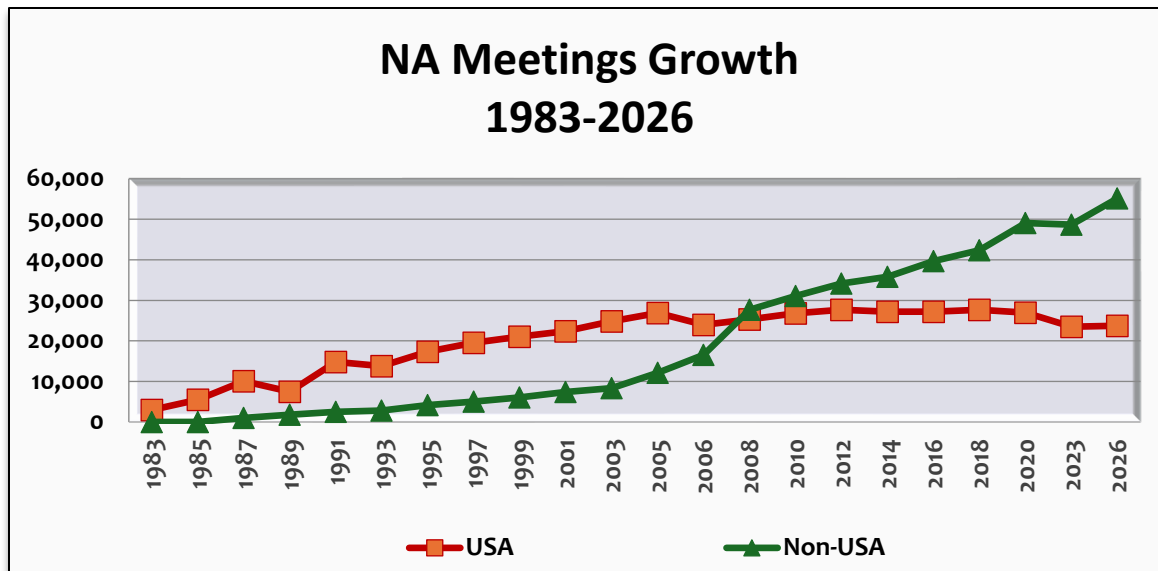
Out of thirty-six recommendations that were submitted to the HRP (Human Resource Panel) by the RBZ (Regions, Board, and Zones), eighteen candidates moved forward for nominations: open positions were ten for the World Board seats, 3 HRP seats, and 1 Co-Facilitator position. Six people were up for re-appointment to the World Board and they were all confirmed. The other four are new members, and they are all women. Two women and one man was appointed for the HRP. Tina was appointed for the Co-Facilitator position, and we believe she is the first woman in that position.

So, the Revised IP #21 Staying Clean in Isolation, the H&I Basics, and Virtual Service Basics have all been completed. They have not been released yet, but they will be coming out soon. The upcoming projects are on virtual service, DRT/MAT, mentorship, and inclusive language. There has been talks about the expansion of audio literature.

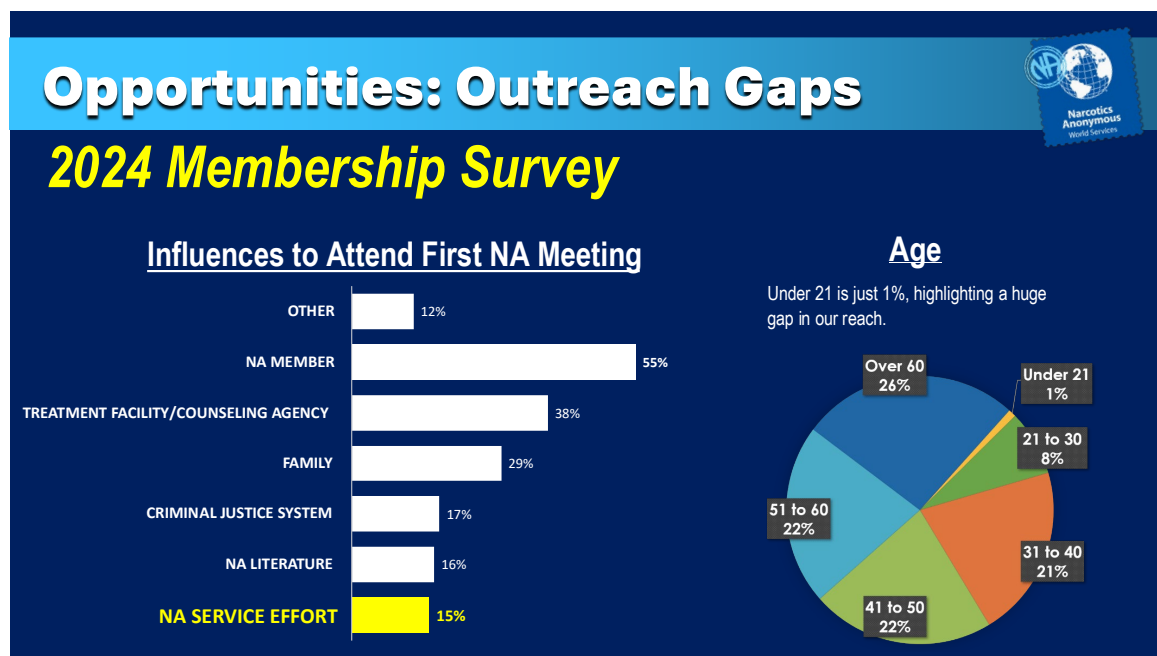
Public Relations

There was a huge push for PR (Public Relations). Meeting numbers and membership in the United States has stagnated while membership and meetings in other countries has increased significantly. NAWS has been watching them to see what we in the United States can do. What they have found is the huge amount of Public Relations effort that is being instituted in other places. Public Relations is Fellowship Development. Here is the information they gathered from the reports sent in from all the delegates worldwide.

- Nearly 1 in 5 Regions do not have PR.
 - **82%** of Regions reported having a PR Committee.
- Active PR more than doubles likelihood of membership growth.
 - **61%** of High PR Activity Regions reported growth vs. **27%** for Low PR Activity.
- Low PR activity more than doubles likelihood of membership decline.
 - **9%** of High PR activity regions reported shrinking vs. **20%** of Low PR activity



USA has higher service gaps (49%) and lower mentorship (14%). International has lower service gaps (33%) and higher mentorship (24%).



NA Service Effort is only 15%, showing the need for better PR. Under 21 is at 1%. What can we do to correct a serious outreach problem?

Collaborative Planning

The upcoming collaborative planning for the next cycle will be:

External Factors:

- Geopolitical issues
 - Wartime issues and NA message
 - Discussion will be located later in the Local Recovery Resources on NAWS Website.
- Evolvement of technology
 - AI

- Generational Differences
 - How the new generations read and receive our message.

Internal Factors:

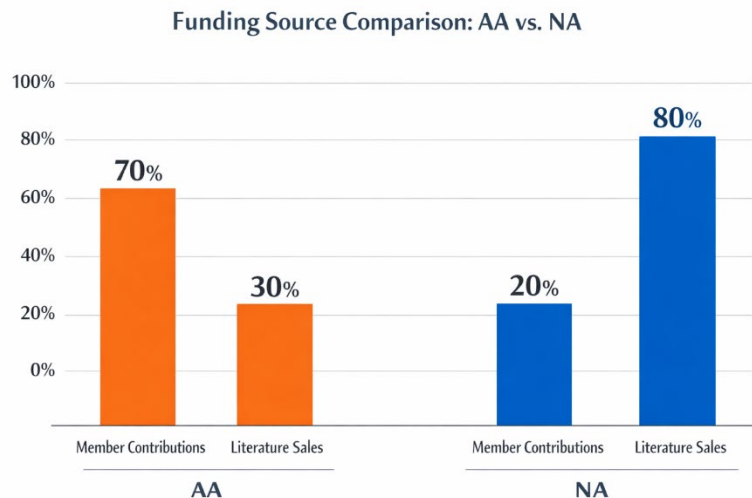
- Trusted servant development
- Safety and Belonging
- How to better help the flow of communication of all levels of service
- Funding of our services

Additional Concerns:

- AI
- Illicit literature
- Low survey participation

Financial Overview

- Eighty percent of income comes from literature sales.
 - Mostly from the Basic Text
- Twenty percent from fellowship contributions
- Literature net income: approx. \$19.3 million. Fellowship Contribution is approximately \$6.1 million. That means a total operational cash of \$25.4 million.
- FY2029 projected deficit
 - Per Becky, the Executive Director, we have 6 months, only 180 days of operational cash.
 - While it is not unusual for a deficit in a conference year, the FY2029 is projected to be over one million dollars in the whole by solely relying on literature sales. Literature sales have declined due to more people turning to technology and/or using illicit literature.
- Operational costs covered for a year could lead to potentially lowering Basic Text costs.
 - We need more members to donate directly to NAWS to make that happen.



The motions over 80% were adopted with no discussion. Motions one & two passed with no discussion because they reached 80% or more. Motion three passed with strong support. None of the amendments passed. Motion four passed after a lengthy discussion, but Motion 5 did not. Because there was a lack of strong support, we

decided not to hear the amendments for Motion 5. All CAT Motions passed. They included PR awareness, fellowship awareness, service tools, DRT/MAT, New Recovery IP, Revised Recovery IP, Gender-neutral language initiatives, Three-year conference cycle, NAWS Budget, and seating Afghanistan and Brazil regions.

Major Conference Discussions

Concerns were raised that the 80% threshold could overlook minority voices, so it will not continue in its current form. The World Board withdrew the motion and plans to rework it for resubmission by 2028.

Discussion on gender-neutral language in literature begins with IP #1. This review may be presented at the Interim WSC or at the 2029 WSC. Currently, only two places in IP #1 are being considered for changes to “people” or “recovering addicts,” with the focus on how we refer to ourselves only.

We need to consider how Tradition 11 applies to social media and all forms of media. Since technology continues to change, we should avoid language that may become outdated. Any change to Tradition 11 would be a lengthy process and require more input from groups on how we move forward. Current policy requires group registration, but that is outdated. Without full group registration, a motion to change the Traditions would fail. Nothing is final; this discussion is ongoing, and our fellowship moves carefully as we adapt.

Issue Discussion Topics

New Recovery Literature

- Welcoming Newcomers and Service Engagement:
 - Remembering Newcomer’s Names
 - Direct outreach and mentorship
 - Task-based service opportunities
 - Group inventories
 - Less formal and more welcoming environments
 - Service Sponsorship/Newcomer Liaison
 - Revision of the Group Booklet
 - Revision of Guide to Local Services
- Presentations will be during the Zonal Meetings and Focus Groups before they start. Anyone can be a part of the focus group. The opportunities to volunteer and be a part of it is huge.

The 39th WCNA will be held in Dublin, Ireland in July 2028. More will be revealed!!

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Rotation for Zonal Meetings

July 2026 Colorado Region

December 2026 Montana Region (Yep, time for us again!)

July 2027 Southern Idaho Region

We have some amazing news!! We now have a place for all the Delegate News on our website. This will be a page where we will have all the reports, surveys, valuable information from NAWS, and anything else we want to get out to the Region. I am so excited for this opportunity!

The NAWS news and other information have been sent out to the MRSC Communications List as it has become available. We are available to any groups or Areas that would like to have a discussion group/Workshop on the current or past Issue Discussion Topics, or any kind of training they would like to have. Please contact us to schedule!

Thank you for allowing us to serve,

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