

Area Al-Anon Information Service (AAIS) Report

Utah Area Fall Assembly – September 2024

AAIS operates under the authority and for the benefit of the Area; we function as both an Al-Anon Information Service (AIS) and a Literature Distribution Center (LDC). District 1 operates its own AIS/LDC center.

- Governing Structure:
 - The Area's AIS Coordinator serves as chair of a 7 person Board of volunteer Al-Anon members
 - Functions under a set of by-laws approved by the Area; the Board is undertaking a detailed review of the current by-laws with the goal of presenting a revised set of by-laws for Area approval at a future Assembly
 - Finances are separate from the Area
- Operations Information:
 - The AAIS office is open 4 days a week (Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday) from 12 noon to 4:00 pm in the Murray Alano Club
 - Literature orders can be made in person or via phone/text to 801-262-9587
 - Phone and text messages are checked regularly; our email address is areaic@utah-alanon.org
 - The office is managed by a paid Contract Employee

Service levels – monthly average (January through July 2024):

- 11 different volunteers (including 5 Board members and the Contract Employee) staffed the office
- 28 phone calls answered
- 24 in-person visits to the office
- 20 literature orders filled, some of which are mailed out

Financial summary – (January to July 2024):

- Literature sales averaged \$1,096 per month; donations averaged \$519 per month; our April fundraiser raised \$757
- Contributions of \$800 to the Area and \$800 to WSO have been made so far in 2024
- Current bank balances for both our operations and an ample prudent reserve have remained steady throughout the year
- AAIS remains financially strong (details available upon request)

Goals, Needs & Gratitude:

- The Board is working with the Area Literature Coordinator to make Al-Anon members aware of the tremendous variety of Conference Approved Literature (CAL) available; includes book reviews in selected editions of the Alanews and offering to visit district and groups meetings/activities to increase awareness of available literature – just contact the office
- Volunteer Service:
 - We can use more Al-Anon members (AAIS Volunteers) to staff the office; anyone looking for Al-Anon service opportunities and living within commuting distance of our Murray office, please consider becoming an AAIS volunteer – just contact the office
 - In August the Board hosted a dinner for our Volunteers to express our gratitude for their service

Submitted by Jeff J, AIS Coordinator and AAIS Board Chair