

Group Contributions - Where Can They be Sent?

Tradition 6 states: *“Our Family Groups ought never endorse, finance or lend our name to any outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary spiritual aim. Although a separate entity, we should always co-operate with Alcoholics Anonymous.”*

Tradition 7 states: *“Every group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.”*

Some Al-Anon groups are uncertain as to what entities within Al-Anon can accept group donations and/or where to send them. Our Traditions tell us Al-Anon groups ought to be fully self-supporting and may not accept outside contributions. Our Traditions also tell us we cannot finance or lend our name to any outside enterprise, however, we can make donations within our Al-Anon and Alateen structure. Accordingly, groups may donate monies to the District, Area Assembly, World Service Office, Al-Anon Information Services of Westchester and Putnam Counties (AIS) and/or New York City Al-Anon Intergroup. The following information is provided to help groups decide where to make donations:

1. Districts:

District 24: Make check payable to **District 24 AFG**, send to P.O. Box 441 Bronxville, NY 10708

Districts 25-26 and 27: Cash Donations Only

The District is the first level of service above the group level. Group Representatives (GRs) and/or Alternate Group Representatives (AGRs) attend these members as voting members, however, all Al-Anon members within the District are invited to attend as visitors and participate in the discussion. For the districts that can only take cash donations, bring donations to the District meetings or make other arrangements with the District Representative (DR.) Check the AIS website for meeting dates/times: **westchesterputnamalanon.org**

2. Assembly Area:

Make check payable to:

New York South Assembly Area

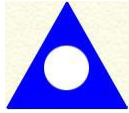
Mail check to:

PO Box 30, Radio City

Station New York, NY 10101-

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The Assembly Area is the next level of service above the District. Our Assembly Area is called the New York South Assembly Area and represents groups from 34 Districts in the following 14 counties: 1) Bronx, 2) Dutchess, 3) Kings, 4) Nassau, 5) New York, 6) Orange, 7) Putnam, 8) Queens, 9) Richmond, 10) Rockland, 11) Sullivan, 12) Suffolk, 13) Ulster and 14) Westchester. The Assembly Area meets four (4) times per year at Maryknoll, Ryder Road, Ossining, NY. GRs/AGRs attend these meetings as voting members, however, all Al-Anon members in the Assembly Area are invited to attend as visitors and participate in the discussion. Check the Area website for meeting dates/times: **www.al-anonny.org**



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3. World Service Office (WSO):

Make check payable to: **Al-Anon Family Groups, Inc.**
Mail check to: **1600 Corporate Landing Pkwy**
Virginia Beach, VA 23454-
5617

The World Service Office is the next level of service above the Area and connects groups all over the world. Al-Anon has "bottom up" decision-making. This means that matters which affect Al-Anon as a whole are brought to the District meeting, then to the Area Assembly, then to the Area World Service Conference, then to the World Service Conference by our Delegate. The AWSC meets four (4) times per year at St. Vincent's Hospital, 275 North Street, Harrison, NY. District Representatives attend these meetings as voting members, however, all Al-Anon members are invited to attend as visitors and to participate in the discussion. Check the Area Website for dates/time: **www.al-anonny.org**

4. Al-Anon Information Services of Westchester and Putnam Counties (AIS)

Make check payable to: **Al-Anon Information Service or A.I.S.**
Mail check to: **P.O. Box 868**
White Plains, NY 10602-0868

The Westchester-Putnam Al-Anon Information Service (AIS) is our local information/communication link to groups, potential newcomers, professionals and the community at large in Westchester and Putnam counties (Districts 24, 25, 26 and 27.) AIS maintains our website which contains our meeting list, notifications about group anniversaries and other Al-Anon events; and other pertinent program-related information. AIS meets four (4) times per year. AGRs (Alternate Group Reps) are welcome to attend AIS meetings as voting members, however, all Al-Anon members are invited to attend as visitors and to participate in the discussion. Check the AIS website for dates/times and location: **westchesterputnamalanon.org**

5. New York City Al-Anon Intergroup

Make check payable to: **NYC Al-Anon Intergroup**
Mail check to: **4 W. 43rd Street, Suite 308**
New York, NY 10036
Or via paypal to: **www.nycalanon.org**

NYC Al-Anon Intergroup is our Local Distribution Center (LDC) for conference-approved literature (CAL.) Our LDC is the original clearinghouse for Al-Anon literature. World Service encourages groups to support your LDC by ordering your CAL from them. Intergroup also maintains a website with information about meetings in NYC, group anniversaries and other NYC Al-Anon events. In addition to purchasing literature from our LDC, groups may also decide to send donations to them.

Please keep all entities in mind when your group has a Business meeting and decides how to donate funds.
Thank you.