

THE PURPOSE OF THE SPECIAL NEEDS COMMITTEE

IS TO HELP MAKE A.A. ACCESSIBLE TO EVERY MEMBER
WHO DESIRES IT. TO HELP ALCOHOLICS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS TO EITHER
GET THEM TO MEETINGS OR
HAVE MEETINGS BROUGHT TO THEM.

THE GUIDING PRINCIPLE OF THIS COMMITTEE IS
THAT THERE ARE NO SPECIAL A.A. MEMBERS...
ONLY MEMBERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.

THEY ARE AA MEMBERS WHO WISH TO HAVE THE SAME
PRIVILEGES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AS ALL AA MEMBERS WITH
REGARD TO THE ACTIVITIES WE ALL CONSIDER AS
NECESSARY FOR OUR CONTINUOUS SOBRIETY.

THESE INCLUDE REGULAR ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS, TWELVE STEP WORK,
SPONSORSHIP, SPEAKING AT MEETINGS, ATTENDING SPECIAL AA FUNCTIONS,
AND SERVICE ON THE LOCAL AND AREA LEVELS. THE SAME RIGHTS AND RE-
SPONSIBILITIES AS THE REST OF AA.

NOT SPECIAL NEEDS
ESSENTIAL NEEDS
AS RECOVERING ALCOHOLICS.

I AM RESPONSIBLE. . . .

SPECIAL NEEDS COMMITTEE DISTRICT 1

What does Special Needs do?

Our purpose is to make AA accessible to AA members with special needs including those blind, visually impaired, hearing impaired and/or physically incapable of getting to meetings on their own.

How can I help?

Pass this information to your home group or any other group you attend. We need the help of all groups to assist AA members with special needs.

What can our group do to help?

Appoint a member to be the home group rep. He or she will then be the one we call if someone is in close proximity to that meeting location and is in need of help.

The home group rep will maintain a phone list of the group members willing to give a ride or take a meeting to the AA Special Needs Member.

When does the committee meet?

We meet at REBOS CLUB, 6766 54TH Avenue N. at 6:30 PM, on the first Tuesday of each month, in the small room at the front of the building (Please enter through side door at front of building.)

Any questions call Central Office 530-0416.

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PROVIDE-a-RIDE

The Special Needs Committee needs your help with our PROVIDE-a-RIDE program which is offered to AA members who are physically unable to get to meetings on their own.

Here's how it works:

The person who needs transportation (or someone acting on their behalf) contacts Central Office and requests help. Central Office passes the information to the Special Needs Committee, and they, in turn contact a home group representative near the recipient and make arrangements for a ride.

This is where YOU and your HOME GROUP become the most important factor in the PROVIDE-a-RIDE service.

It will only work if your group has a group representative and a handfull of ride volunteers who are committed to helping those who canno longer enjoy the rewards of continuous contact with their fellow AA's without assistance.

For further details or questions call Central Office at 530-0416.