

Business Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of each month, [United Methodist Central Church, 1875 North Central Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85004](#), East Dining Room, 7 pm.

HOSPITALS / TREATMENT CENTERS / DETOX CENTERS

Meetings held in hospitals, treatment and detox centers usually do not require any type of approval process. H & I requires 1 year of sobriety to chair one of these meetings. If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering, please email:

Hospitals East: hospitals_east@vwhi.org

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Treatment Centers: treatment_centers@vwhi.org

Community Bridges East: community_bridges_east@vwhi.org

Community Bridges West: community_bridges_west@vwhi.org

COUNTY JAILS, (MCSO) – Durango, Towers/Estrella, Lower Buckeye/4th Ave

Requirements encompass all the County Jails. “Badged” is 2 years sober and “Off Paper” for at least 1 year, attends training, submit application, and get fingerprinted. A “Gate Pass” requires 1 year sobriety resulting in a 90 day renewable pass allowing attendance with a badged volunteer as a co-chair. Felons need to have been out of jail or prison for 3 years. “Off paper” means off parole and probation. The “Sponsor Letter” comes from your “Sponsoring Agency” - Valleywide H&I, which comes from the MCSO Liaison. On VWHI.org go to volunteers, then jails for more information or email: mcsol Liaison@vwhi.org.

Durango is a men’s facility located at 35th Ave and Durango. Only men can volunteer for this facility. This jail is perfect for a person with a variable schedule. Interest or questions you can email: durango_jail@vwhi.org.

Towers and Estrella jails are located at 35th Ave. & Durango. Towers are a men’s facility, only men can chair but women can be co-chairs or speakers. Estrella is a women’s facility, only women can chair and a male speaker is limited to 4 meetings per year. Need more volunteers. Interest or questions email: towers_estrella@vwhi.org.

Lower Buckeye Jail is located at 35th Ave & Lower Buckeye and the 4th Ave Jail is located at 4th Ave in downtown Phoenix. Need more volunteers to take meetings in 4th Ave jail. Both are men’s facilities but women can attend if accompanied by a man. Questions email: lower_buckeye_fourth_ave_jails@vwhi.org.

STATE PRISONS – Florence, Phoenix West, Alhambra/Aspen

The Arizona Department of Corrections runs these facilities. The approval/badging process is similar for above listed locations. An application, training, fingerprints and TB test are required with 2 years of sobriety. If you have a felony conviction, 3 years sobriety and proof of employment or disability required. You must be “off paper” 5 years. You can apply and they make their determinations on a case-by-case basis. Speakers can go in on a one-time basis, 1 year sobriety requirement. Perryville and Lewis have different requirements than above. See the coordinators for differences.

Florence has several yards and houses men. Some are state run and some are privately run. Women can volunteer. The requirements are similar for both types of facilities. They have a 1-year sobriety requirement and 5 years since a felony. Badging requirements are different for each facility. They need volunteers. Interest or questions email: florence_prisons@vwhi.org.

Phoenix West is a privately run men’s facility that houses only DUI offenders. This facility also allows women to chair meetings. The approval process is similar to the state except 1 year of sobriety is required and over 21 yrs old. It is located between Lower Buckeye and Buckeye on 35th Ave. Please contact: phoenix_west_prison@vwhi.org.

Alhambra/Aspen is a men’s facility, located at 24th Street & Van Buren. Women can help if accompanied by a man. A badge is required to volunteer. Email the coordinator: alhambra_prison@vwhi.org.

Perryville is a women’s facility, located at I-10 and Cotton Lane in the West Valley. Felons are accepted case by case. 3 yrs “off paper” and 3 yrs sobriety. Interest email: perryville_prison@vwhi.org.

Lewis is a men’s facility but men or woman can chair meetings. The facility is located in Buckeye, Arizona. If you are interested in volunteering, the coordinator will help you team up with someone so carpooling is an option. Email: lewis_prison@vwhi.org.

Juvenile Corrections please contact: juvenile_corrections@vwhi.org.

Spanish Corrections please contact: spanish_coordinator@vwhi.org.

FEDERAL CORRECTIONS – Men’s Medium Security Correctional Facility, Women’s Minimum Security Camp

Both are located North, off the 1-17 and Pioneer Rd. (Past the Carefree exit). Men chair men’s meetings and women chair women’s meetings. The approval/badging process requires an application, fingerprints, and a 4-hour orientation/training at the facility with 5 years sobriety required. (No guest speakers.) Interested email: federal_corrections@vwhi.org.

TEMPORARY CONTACT PROGRAM – Bridging the Gap

This AA program, done throughout the U.S., is designed to help alcoholics not fall between the cracks after they get out of treatment or a correctional facility before getting established in AA meetings. Volunteers are matched to patients by gender, zip code & age range, who will attend some AA meetings with them when they first get out. Workshops for volunteering offered. There is a big need for volunteers. Please contact : bridging_the_gap@vwhi.org. They meet the last Thursday each month.

H&I Awareness Day Committee

This committee plans Awareness Day. The events are to encourage participation and educate prospective volunteers how to participate in carrying the message to the confined alcoholic. Service opportunities for this committee are unlimited. Anyone with 24 hours or more is encouraged to volunteer. Need a coordinator. Interest or questions email: awareness_day@vwhi.org Or visit vwhi.org/home/awareness-day.