

Survey regarding Regional Treasurers

The goal for this survey is to provide information that may be helpful to regions around the world regarding the service position of Regional Treasurer. This survey is confidential and anonymous. We will not keep any record of your individual responses, we are simply looking for common themes.

Please complete this survey and email this document to naranon.service.structure@gmail.com.

Questions about the Nar-Anon Guidelines

The following questions pertain to the Nar-Anon Guide to World Services and the Nar-Anon Guide to Local Services.

1. The Regional Treasurer is mentioned on pages 5, 14 and 15 in the 2023 Guide to World Services. Are you familiar with these sections? Are they helpful?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ I am familiar with these sections and have found them helpful
- ☐ I am familiar with these sections, but I do not think they are very helpful
- ☐ I am not familiar with these pages in the Guide to World Services

2. Have you looked at the duties of a Group Treasurer in Sections 3 and 4 the 2023 Guide to Local Services? Do you think that description is helpful?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ I have read that section and think it is helpful
- ☐ I have read that section, but I do not think this is enough help
- ☐ I am not familiar with that section in the Guide to Local Services

3. Have you looked at the duties of an Area Treasurer in Section 5 of the 2023 Guide to Local Services? Do you think that description is helpful?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ I have read that section and think it is helpful
- ☐ I have read that section, but I do not think this is enough help
- ☐ I am not familiar with that section in the Guide to Local Services

4. Have you looked at the duties of a Regional Treasurer in Section 6 of the 2023 Guide to Local Services? Do you think that description is helpful?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ I have read that section and think it is helpful
- ☐ I have read that section, but I do not think this is enough help
- ☐ I am not familiar with that section in the Guide to Local Services

Questions about your experience before service

The following questions pertain to your experience with Nar-Anon financial management.

5. Did your prior experience help you understand the role of a Nar-Anon Treasurer?

Check all that apply.

- ☐ I am or was a Group Treasurer
- ☐ I am or was an Event Treasurer
- ☐ I am or was an Area Treasurer
- ☐ I am or was a Regional Treasurer
- ☐ I was a treasurer in another organization
- ☐ I had prior financial experience
- ☐ I had no prior experience to help me

When the unexpected happens

The following questions are an opportunity to confidentially and anonymously tell us about your experiences.

6. Even while working our recovery, the unexpected sometimes happens. Have any of these problems occurred previously in your region?

Check all that apply.

- ☐ A Group Treasurer dropped out unexpectedly
- ☐ An Event Treasurer dropped out unexpectedly
- ☐ An Area Treasurer dropped out unexpectedly
- ☐ A Regional Treasurer dropped out unexpectedly
- ☐ As far as I know, all of our Treasures are still active

7. Accounting for money is a great responsibility. Which have you experienced?

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Some group money disappeared
- ☐ Some event money disappeared
- ☐ Some area money disappeared
- ☐ Some regional money disappeared
- ☐ As far as I know, all funds are where they should be

Challenges with financial institutions

As members of a fellowship, we are subject to the requirements of financial institutions. Please help us understand some of the difficulties you have encountered.

8. Please help us understand the region's experiences related to bank accounts.

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Some groups use a bank account for their group money
- ☐ Some events use a bank account for their event money
- ☐ Some areas use a bank account for their area money
- ☐ Our region uses a bank account for regional money
- ☐ None of the above

9. Focusing now just on your region, who can view the regional funds in your bank account?

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Our region does not have a regional bank account
- ☐ Our Regional Treasurer can view our regional bank account
- ☐ Our Regional Chair and/or Vice Chair can view our regional bank account
- ☐ Our Regional Secretary can view our regional bank account

10. Focusing now just on your region, who has authorization to spend the regional funds from your bank account?

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Our region does not have a regional bank account
- ☐ Our Regional Treasurer can use our regional bank account
- ☐ Our Regional Chair and/or Vice Chair can use our regional bank account
- ☐ Our Regional Secretary can use our regional bank account
- ☐ Our region's bank requires two signatures on all transactions

11. Again, focusing just on your regional bank account, how easy is it to do a rotation of service and change who has access to your bank account?

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Our region does not have a regional bank account
- ☐ Our bank understands our non-profit status and helps us
- ☐ Our bank seems confused when we want to change signatures
- ☐ Sometimes our bank seems confused at first, but with patience this works
- ☐ The bank would not permit us to set up an account

12. Does your region accept electronic contributions?

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Members can use our website to contribute into our bank account
- ☐ Members can use a QR code to contribute into our bank account
- ☐ Members can use email or text to contribute into our bank account
- ☐ Members can use a specific payment service to contribute into our bank account
- ☐ We do not accept electronic payments

Challenges with the tax authorities

Help us understand how your region works with non-profit regulations and local tax laws.

13. Is your region registered with your government as a non-taxable organization?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Our region is an incorporated, non-profit organization
- ☐ Our region is registered with the government and does not need to pay taxes
- ☐ Our region relies on the non-profit registration of another organization such as the WSO
- ☐ Our region does not have enough income to be required to pay taxes
- ☐ Our region pays taxes on our contributions
- ☐ Our region has never been questioned about our taxable status

14. Has your region explored the process to become a registered non-taxable organization?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Our region is an incorporated, non-profit organization
- ☐ Our region is working on the process to be a registered non-profit
- ☐ Our region tried, but stopped working on the process to be a registered non-profit
- ☐ Our region is thinking about becoming a registered non-profit
- ☐ Our region is not planning to register as a non-profit at this time
- ☐ Our region is overwhelmed at the thought of the effort required to be a registered non-profit

Appropriate Nar-Anon spending

The following questions explore how Nar-Anon regions are spending their funds.

15. Does your region spend Nar-Anon money on any of the following regional services?

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Buy literature for newcomers
- ☐ Buy literature for new groups
- ☐ Buy literature for outreach to the community
- ☐ Pay for a website
- ☐ Pay for virtual meeting service, like Zoom
- ☐ Pay for file storage such as Google or DropBox
- ☐ Pay for email services
- ☐ Pay for a Help Line phone service
- ☐ Pay for our Delegate or other to visit groups
- ☐ Pay for service members to travel to service meetings
- ☐ Pay for space at an event or convention
- ☐ Send money to the World Service Office
- ☐ Send money to the World Service Conference
- ☐ Send money to the World Service Convention
- ☐ Pay for a mailing address
- ☐ Pay for materials for outreach, conventions, or events
- ☐ Pay fees for banking and payment services
- ☐ Pay for legal or financial services

16. Does your group pay for any of the following members services?

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Buy anniversary chips or literature for member anniversaries or countdowns
- ☐ Buy refreshments for member gatherings
- ☐ Reimburse members for travel to regional activities
- ☐ Reimburse members for expenses related to outreach
- ☐ Buy a celebration gift when a member completes their service term
- ☐ Buy a gift card or basket to donate to the regional convention

Sharing your experience, strength, and hope

Are you willing to help others learn from your experience?

17. Are you willing to share at or participate in:

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Roundtables about being a Treasurer
- ☐ Interactive workshops about being a Treasurer
- ☐ Creating Conference Approved Literature about being a Treasurer

If you are interested in participating in further discussions about Nar-Anon Treasurer activities, please send an email to naranon.service.structure@gmail.com.