October, 2024 H&I Report

The only purpose of the Northern California Hospital and Institution Committee is to carry the message of AA to alcoholics in corrections and treatment facilities and facilities serving alcoholics in Northern CA. In Tulare County (NorCal Area 93) we continue to meet this purpose by holding AA meetings in 8 treatment facilities and the Tulare County Jail. In September, 2024 we held 21 meetings and distributed AA books upon request. We make available the AA Big Book, 12 Steps and 12 Traditions, Living Sober and Daily Reflections. These are available in Spanish and English.

We do have volunteers from Tulare County covering meetings at Corcoran, SATF and Avenal Prisons. They have minimal coverage as they have very few cleared volunteers who are participating in a fraction of the AA meetings being held behind the walls. Please share this information with your groups, and send any interested AA members to our next Orientation listed below. If an AA member is interested and wants to discuss this further prior to that date, I can be contacted at handiarea93@gmail.com or Central Office can provide my phone number.

We encourage all groups to pass the pink can at all AA meetings and have your treasurer send in the funds on a regular basis. When making payment by either check or credit card online, please refer to Area 93 for Tulare County. If your group does not have a Pink Can, please contact Central Office or myself.

Please take a moment to visit the H&I page on <u>aa-tulareco.org</u>. Here you will find all current Northern California Hospital and Institution Committee information including our financial reports and the contact information to get involved in the IVSS program. This is a unique opportunity to sponsor an AA member behind the walls. Currently, they are in the process of starting this program at Corcoran, SATF and Avenal Prisons. The meetings are held via phone call, text or in person. Our volunteer's anonymity is protected as all calls are sent through an exchange.

Our next in-person orientation: November 9, 2024; 9:00 am; at 526 N. Bridge Street, Visalia, CA 93291 followed by our business meeting at 10:00 am. This information is also listed on the Tulare County Website at aa-tulareco.org

In Service,

Joyce R., Area 93 Chair