

November, 2025 H&I Report

Our Purpose: the only purpose of our Hospitals and Institutions (H&I) committee is to carry the message of AA to alcoholics in Corrections and Treatment facilities and facilities serving alcoholics in Northern California. The activities of this committee are governed by the Twelve Traditions and based on the spiritual principles embodied within the Twelve Concepts of Alcoholics Anonymous. We are a Ninth Tradition service committee.

Our most recent Hospitals and Institutions Business Meeting was held on November 8th, 2025 at Bridge Street Drunks Only, in Visalia, at 10 AM. Immediately prior, at 9 AM, was our Volunteer Orientation meeting. If you would like to get involved with H&I, we ask that you attend a Volunteer Orientation meeting once.

We have several service positions available at the area level, which do have requirements for experience in H&I and minimum sobriety time. Our Area Chair, Joyce R, rotates out of service in 2026. We also have three meetings locally which need meeting captains.

The financial report for NorCal H&I came out for November. Our current financial position is *neutral*. We ended November positive \$2,792 with year-to-date positive \$9,150. Every month, our current Income and Expense Breakdown and Contributions By Area are provided, and uploaded to <https://aa-tulareco.org/hospitals-institutions-hi/>

Schedule:

If getting involved with H&I is appealing to you, you might ask if your schedule has room.

Here is a list of meeting times for facilities we bring meetings in to:

Please note that unless otherwise specified, both Male and Female volunteers are welcome:

Meeting Dates and Times	Type
1 st & 3 rd Tuesday 5:15 – 6:15 pm	Men's Facility
2 nd Tuesday 6:00 – 7:00 pm	Men's Facility
4 th Tuesday 6:30 – 7:30 pm	Men & Women's Facility
1 st Wednesday 6:00 – 7:00 pm	Men & Women's Facility
2 nd & 4 th Wednesday 7:00 – 8:00 pm	Men & Women's Facility
1 st & 3 rd Thursday 6:00 – 7:00 pm	Women's Facility (women volunteers only)

2 nd & 4 th Thursday 7:00 – 8:00 pm	Women's Facility (women volunteers only)
Every Friday Evening	Tulare County Jail (background check and clearance by TCSO required)
1 st & 3 rd Saturday 11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Men's Facility
4 th Saturday 10:00 – 11:00 am	Men's Facility

We also have H&I volunteers going in to Corcoran State Prison, SATF (Substance Abuse Treatment Facility), and Avenal State Prison. These require CDCR clearance and prior H&I experience. Please attend the next orientation for more information. The insiders at these locations appreciate H&I visitors (outsiders) because of our breadth of experience. We currently visit 2 of these meetings at Avenal, and another 2 at SATF. We would benefit from more volunteers. The Inside Visiting Sponsorship Service (IVSS) is now helping 200 incarcerated people with sponsors on the outside. A telephone is all you need (and to get set up, a tiny bit technical savvy). IVSS has been such a success that the General Service Office in New York is in the process of adding it to their supported programs.

We also have H&I volunteers going in to the Tulare County Jails. Tulare County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) does require five years of sobriety before letting H&I volunteers in. We had 5 meetings in September, and 4 in November.

If members of your group haven't been H&I volunteers before, we will have a Volunteer Orientation Meeting on Saturday, January 10th, 2025 at 9 AM. The Business Meeting will follow at 10 AM.

Under new business, we discussed what to do with our local committee's money over our prudent reserve. We usually distribute it in December; we decided to divide it with 50% going to Central Office, 25% to District 47, and 25% to NorCal H&I.

Thank you for letting me of service.

David G.