

2019 Budget for Assembly review



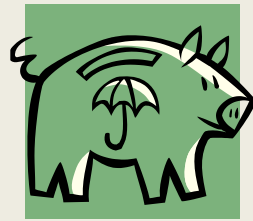
Welcome all to our budget presentation.

Welcome to GRs where you and you only get a vote.

Welcome to our Higher Power.

For presentation in November 2018 at the Area Assembly

OUR 2019 BUDGET PROCESS



- In July the Treasurer and Alternate Delegate updated our budget document with Year-To-Date (YTD) income and expense figures for 2018. The actual spending history helps anticipate future needs.
- In August the Finance Committee (FC)* looked at each line item and proposed 2019 Budget numbers. This update was sent out to all.
- On September 8th our Area World Service Committee (AWSC)** and others met in Littleton to further review our line items and to propose 2019 budget numbers. This update was sent out to all.
- In November at our Assembly we meet to further review our efforts and make any needed changes before our Group Representative vote.

*The Finance committee currently is composed of Eloy our Delegate, Bev our Area Chair, Tim our Treasurer, Nancy B a Past Delegate, Kari M a group member, Rick G our Public Outreach Coordinator (POC) and Nancy T. your Alternate Delegate who also serves as Chair of Finance Committee.

**The AWSC includes our Area officers, Area District Reps, Area Coordinators and AIS Liaison members (Source: service manual p.72,75) and, in our Area, our Weekend in Al-Anon & State Convention chairs. (Source: Area 5 Guidelines)

INCOME

2019 proposed budget

	<u>2019/AWSC</u>
• Total Contributions	\$29,330
• Total Interest Income	\$32
• Other Income	\$8,350
• TOTAL INCOME*	\$37,712
• GRAND TOTAL OF ALL AREA INCOME**	\$56,962

*Reflects our main Area bank account transactions.

**Includes income added from additional Area bank account/s.

The longer Budget document gives all the lines that make up our totals.



EXPENSES

2019 proposed budget



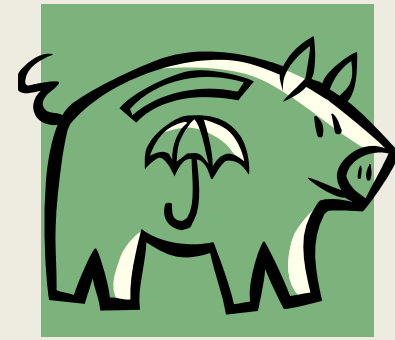
	<u>2019</u>
TOTAL FOR THOUGHT/TASK FORCE:	\$200
TOTAL FOR COORDINATORS & Event Chairs:	\$9,385
TOTAL FOR ASSEMBLIES:	\$11,700
TOTAL FOR OFFICERS:	\$2,680
TOTAL FOR OTHER AREA EXPENSES:	\$18,138
TOTAL AREA EXPENSES*:	\$42,103
GRAND TOTAL OF AREA EXPENSES**	\$61,353

*reflects main Area bank account

**includes expense paid out of WIA & Literature Area bank account/s.

Budget document gives all the lines that make up our totals.

2019 proposed
Expense – Income



2019 proposed TOTAL EXPENSE	\$42,103
2019 proposed TOTAL INCOME	\$37,712

A difference, deficit of **\$4,391**

With total figures from WIA and Literature:

2019 proposed Grand Total of All Area Expenses	\$61,353
2019 proposed Grand Total of All Area Income	\$56,962

A difference, deficit of **\$4,391**

NOTE – Just because we pass a deficit budget does not mean we do not have funds. Many lines are budgeted and are not fully spent. We budget for them so our trusted servants know they have those funds available to them.

Material changes for 2019

Spending Increases 2019 over 2018

- SWRDM (Southwest Regional Delegates Meeting) -- \$1,700
- Trustee to Area -- \$800
- WSO -- \$500 --Donation Increase
- Professional Fees -- \$600 – To review Alateen Guidelines
- State Convention -- \$110 -- Translation

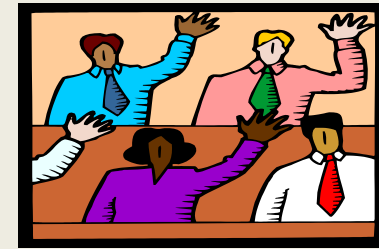
Spending **Decreases** 2019 over 2018

- Travel -- **\$3,350** -- to reflect actual expenses
- Butterfly Printing -- **\$1450**

Income **Decreases**

- Birthday donations -- **\$1,000** -- reduction to better reflect actual
- Literature -- **\$2,250** -- reduction to reflect actual activity





YOUR QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Q. Why is there both a Total Income and a Grand Total of Income?

*R. The way our budget is set up now, we first show the activity from our main Area checking account (it's found on the **Total Income** line after line item 12) and then we add to this total the additional income and expense figures from the Literature and Week-end-In-Al-Anon checking accounts to get to the **Grand Total**.*

Q. Can we simplify the budget?

R. Various ways to accomplish this are being researched.

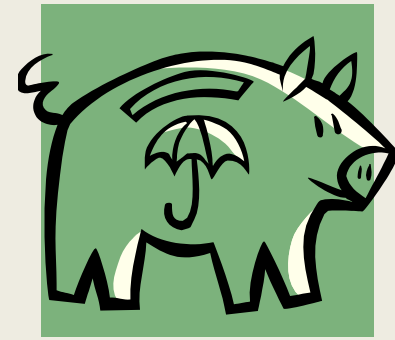
Q. Why would we budget our expenses to be more than our projected income?

R. It's pretty common for our Area to pass budgets with several thousand dollars more in expense than in income. It's thought to be a transparent way to show numbers as opposed to bringing in a line from our savings to have the budget balance. Just because we pass a deficit budget does not mean we do not have funds. Many lines are budgeted and are not fully spent. We budget for them so our trusted servants know they have those funds available to them.

Q. Line 13a "Unfunded travel expenses" – Can you please define "unfunded."

R. A funded person is one that is reimbursed for an approved expense such as travel cost to an Assembly. For example a Group Rep, GR, receives funding from their group to attend Area Assemblies. If they are no longer a GR, they would likely no longer receive expense reimbursement and would then be "unfunded" by their group.

Developments since our AWSC meeting



New info for rows 40a, 43 and 69 ?

Further comments/questions



- Are the figures we vote on at the Assembly final, or can they be changed during the year. *R. The Assembly Approved numbers remain the same. However, these figures are our best estimates and are not set in stone. The finance committee can meet to consider budgeted requests of up to 2% of our total budget (Specifically, the Grand Total of All Area Expenses).*
- Why make available the budget files to our group members, why would they be interested. *R. Some in our groups have expressed very keen interest and their detailed input has added to our budget discussion. All voices in AI-Anon are important and some folks communicate well over money; it's a way to connect through participation; Such involvement illustrates our AI-Anon structure with groups at the top (current Service Manual p.171, the inverted triangle illustration).*
- Q. Can the Forum coordinator submit expenses. It's not broken out specifically as a budget line. *R. The Assembly in November of 2016 through a consensus vote, said yes, that it's okay if the Forum Coordinator has a request for a miscellaneous expense to submit it to the finance committee and if approved it could be put on line 77, Additional Expenses.*
- Is WIA a fundraiser or is it a fellowship event? *R. I see it as both. It was started as a fellowship event and it has also consistently incorporated fundraising with a donation back to the Area. On rare occasions it has come in with expenses more than its income. For 2019 the projection is income of \$2,000 (row 10 and 37).*

A reminder: AWSC means the Area World Service Committee – It's the group of our Area's trusted servants that voted to propose the budget you are being asked to consider and vote on today.

Over to you.

Are you ready to vote?

First, if you have come with comments, questions or suggested changes please come up to the microphone.

Please reference which line item you are referring to in the longer budget document and follow our Assembly rules.

Are we ready GRs to turn the meeting back to our Area Chair for your vote on what will be the 2019 Assembly Approved figures?

Thanks for your service to Area 5

