

District Meeting

- District Representative (DR)
- Alternate District Representative
- Group Representatives (GR)
- District Secretary/Treasurer
- District Coordinators
- Al-Anon members

1. Host a district meeting and have an agenda
 - It could be a potluck
2. Elect a DR and alternate from among the GRs
3. Elect district officers and coordinators
4. Hold brainstorming sessions to consider any of the following:
 - How often to meet and where
 - Consider rotation of groups hosting the meeting
 - Plan a Public Outreach project
 - Decide on the best project
 - List the activities and timetable for the project to succeed
 - Volunteer to chair an activity
 - Remind Group Representatives to take the information to their home group and to ask for support in carrying out the district projects
 - Set the date and time for your next district meeting
5. Additional agenda ideas for future district meetings:
 - Study Traditions and Concepts of Service, *Service Manual* (P-24-27), *When I Got Busy I Got Better* (P-78)
 - Group Representative reports and discussion
 - Encourage groups to have chairpersons for meetings
 - Delegate's Conference report
 - Coordinator workshops—Alateen, Archives, Forum, Group Records, Literature, Public Outreach
 - Have a literature day—to stimulate the use of CAL in meetings using *Why CAL?* (P-35)
 - Forum writing workshops
 - Plan 'fun' activities
 - Invite an Al-Anon guest speaker

Available Resources for your District's Public Outreach Projects

P-90	The Best of Public Outreach	3.00
S-20	Has Your Life Been Affected by Someone Else's Drinking?	.02
S-17	Troubled by Someone's Drinking? (20 questions)	.02
S-25	Did You Grow Up with a Problem Drinker? (20 questions)	.02
S-28	Links of Service	free
S-57	Joy of Service	free
S-64	Information for Educators: Alateen Meetings in Schools	free
S-67	Al-Anon's Path to Recovery	free
S-15	Catalog Al-Anon/Alateen CAL	free
M-1	Are You Concerned About Someone's Drinking?	.02
M-71	Al-Anon Poster	1.00
M-71A	Al-Anon Poster (7 or more)	.70
M-72	Alateen Poster	1.00
M-72A	Alateen Poster (7 or more)	.70
M-73	Table Display	3.50
TV PSAs		
AV-30	(3/4" English US)	25.00
SAV-30	(3/4" Spanish)	25.00
CAV-30	(3/4" English Canada)	25.00
FAV-30	(3/4" French Canada)	25.00
<i>(Add "B" for Beta format, e.g. FAV30B)</i>		
Radio PSA CD:		
ACD-30	US English	6.00
SA-30	Spanish	6.00
CA-30	Canada English	6.00
FA-30	Canada French	6.00
Guidelines:		
G-15	District Meetings	.10
Guidelines are available on the members Web site at: www.al-anon.alateen.org/members		
Open Letters to:		
Spiritual Leaders (OS1), Doctors (OD2), A Lawyer (OL3), The Police (OP4), My Teacher (OT5), Human Services Professional (OH6), and The Student Assistant Professional (OSP7), each		.20

Please check with your local literature distribution center (LDC) for availability there. All of these items are available through the WSO.

THE DISTRICT GAME PLAN

SERVICE IS FUN

What is the goal?
To strengthen the district's action and communication

What are the barriers to success?
Groups in isolation and lack of communication about district needs, activities, possibilities, and not enough players

Why have a district game plan?
To carry the message to families and friends of alcoholics and enhance personal recovery in the groups in your district



District 5

- Group Representative
- District Representative
- Assembly Officer
- Chairperson
- Delegate

- Home Sweet Home AFG
- Happy Days AFG
- Willing to Change AFG
- Daring to Dream Alateen
- Mountain Top AFG
- New Ideas AFG
- Inner City AFG
- Visibility AFG

The area world service committee may also include coordinators of special services such as Alateen, Archives, CPC, PI, Institutions, Literature, Forum, etc., and liaison members (from local information service centers or intergroups)

Do you want to get in the game?*

SERVICE IS FUN

**Note: This is not a game to play—rather suggestions for a "district game plan". This game plan is designed so that members can visualize how their home group fits into the bigger picture of the district. Suggested agenda topics for district meetings are included.*

Evaluation of the District Game Plan—Service is Fun

Please write to the WSO and share your experience with this plan. Does your district have a 'Game Plan'? Do you need help connecting your group to the larger Al-Anon community? You may mail, fax, or e-mail your evaluation.

AFG Inc., 1600 Corporate Landing Parkway, Virginia Beach, VA 23454-5617
Fax: 757-563-1655 e-mail: wso@al-anon.org

This Plan may be photocopied, translated, and distributed in your area as needed.

To learn more about the players turn the page. ➔

Places for Public Outreach

4 AFG

Phone Directories
List local answering service and WSO toll-free number 1-888-4AL-ANON

Counselors
Take an S-15 Catalog and suggest that books be bought and placed in school library

High School School Nurse
Make personal contact and take Alateen posters and inexpensive Alateen pamphlets

5 AFG

Nail Salons
Posters and *The Forum* (replace poster once a year)

Hospital
Take *The Forum* magazine
Doctors
Open Letter to Doctors—(OD2)
Nurses
Adapt *Open Letter to Doctors*—(OD2)
Therapists
Professional Packet—(K-30)

7 AFG

College Campus
Start a meeting on campus

Anonymity not Invisibility
AIS/LDC Office

- Conference Approved Literature
- Meeting lists
- Answering service

2 AFG

Law Offices
Send *Open Letter to A Lawyer*—(OL3)

7 AFG

Gym/Spa
Take posters and meeting lists

Who is in the game?
Group Representatives from each of the groups in the district

- If your group does not have a GR, hold an election, volunteer to serve, nominate your sponsor, or nominate a sponsee.
- If your group has a GR, thank them, support them, and go with them to the district meeting.
- If you do not know your DR contact your Area Delegate.

District Representative (DR)

- If you do not know your Delegate contact the WSO Group Records.

1 AFG

Principal
Meet with school principal to remind them that Alateen exists by taking new meeting lists and Catalog (S-15), *Open Letter to My Teacher* (OT-5)
Establish an Alateen 'meeting on wheels'

Beauty Salon
Table tent display (M-73)

8 AFG

Laundromat
Take old *Forum* magazines

3 AFG

Middle School
Take letters to your children's teachers at next parent/teacher conference—(OT5)

3 AFG

Military Base
Establish contact with Family Services and chaplains

Minister, Priest, and Rabbi's secretary
Establish a personal contact with each secretary to have Al-Anon and Alateen meetings announced in the weekly bulletins

Police Station/Jail
Send *Open Letter to The Police*—(OP4)

6 AFG

TV
Obtain WSO PSA distribution lists from your Area Public Outreach Coordinator
Make sure every TV and Cable station has a copy
Radio
Contact Mr. Radio Man with public service announcements (PSA)
Introduce Al-Anon to your local radio talk shows and offer to find members to interview—include local contact information
Newspaper
Announce your group meeting information in the local events calendar
All Media
Thank the media for mentioning Al-Anon

6 AFG

Media Court

Group Legend

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