

Corrections Volunteer Opportunities

Date: _____ First Name: _____ Last Name: _____
(please print legibly) (please print legibly)

Address: _____ Home Group: _____ District: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Sobriety Date: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Preferred Method of Contact: Phone: Y _____ N _____ OR Email: Y _____ N _____

If phone is preferred method, check one: Day _____ Evening _____ Weekend _____ Okay to leave message? Y _____ N _____

Gender: M _____ F _____

Which areas are you interested in volunteering for:

_____ : Re-entry Program Contact

Be willing and available to make contact with a recent or about to be AA parolee and introduce them to different meetings and AA members. Team up with other AA members to meet the parolee at a meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous within their first few weeks. This 12 Step Work is done on a temporary basis to help newly released individuals transition from correctional facility meetings to the outside world of Alcoholics Anonymous.

_____ : Written Correspondence

Answer letters from incarcerated individuals in a timely manner sharing experience, strength, and hope through written correspondence. Answer requests for literature, questions about how to get to meetings, what AA is and is not, sponsorship, etc. Continue a relationship via written correspondence until individual is released or until correspondence is no longer warranted/desired.

_____ : Bringing In-person Meetings Into Facilities

This is an opportunity to team up with other AA members who bring meetings into the various correctional facilities in Vermont. An application process including background checks and training about DOC rules and volunteering in corrections is required.

_____ : Sponsorship Volunteer

Engages in sponsorship with inside AA member; visits in-person at least monthly; communicates via letter to supplement visitation. Requirements: 5 years continuous sobriety, solid sponsorship experience, knowledge & practice of AA's Steps and Traditions. (Volunteers for sponsorship will be classified as visitors, not as Program Volunteers as DOC doesn't allow Program Volunteers to enter as "visitors.")

_____ : Write a story for the corrections newsletter, "A New Freedom."

Looking for people to write stories of recovery or a picture of your artwork for newsletter, which gets sent into all correctional facilities in VT and put on tablets for residents to read. This is a monthly newsletter. You don't need to have experience which includes being in corrections to share your story. All stories of recovery are needed to carry the message. If you send a picture of art, just include your first name & sobriety date.

**Please return completed form or direct questions to: Area 70 Corrections Chair
via email to: area70corrections@aavt.org**