

April, 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 March Hospitals and Institutions Business Meeting was held on March 8th, 2025 at Bridge Street Drunks Only, in Visalia, at 10 AM. Immediately prior, at 9 AM, was our Volunteer Orientation meeting. We had three new volunteers attend orientation. If you would like to get involved with H&I, we ask that you attend a Volunteer Orientation meeting to learn the dos and don'ts which have made H&I members useful in these settings over the last 83 years.

Old Business:

We have service positions available. We went through the list of open positions and asked for volunteers.

New Business:

Avenal Speaker Jam: We are thrilled to announce the First Annual Avenal Speaker Jam, held inside Avenal State Prison (ASP). This event will take place on Saturday, June 7th, 2025. This event brings together members of AA with the AA groups at ASP to share experience, strength, and hope. We expect a day filled with sobriety, stories, fun, tears, steps, love, and enthusiasm for AA. We invite you to join us and make this event a memorable start to a new tradition at ASP. Participation in this event does require a clearance, although it is a less intensive clearance form because of the single-day event. We need the clearance form sent to Bill H no later than Noon on Friday, April 4, 2025.

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:

Meeting Dates and Times	Type
1 st & 3 rd Tuesday 5:15 – 6:15 pm	Men's Facility
2 nd & 4 th Tuesday 6:00 – 7:00 pm	Women's Facility (women only)
2 nd & 4 th Tuesday 7:00 – 8:00 pm	Women's Facility (different facility) (women only)
4 th Tuesday 6:30 – 7:30 pm	Men & Women's Facility
1 st & 3 rd Wednesday 6:00 – 7:00 pm	Men & Women's Facility
2 nd & 4 th Wednesday 6:30 – 7:30 pm	Men & Women's Facility
1 st & 3 rd Thursday 6:00 – 7:00 pm	Women's Facility (women only)
Every Friday Evening	Tulare County Jail (background check and clearance by TCSO required)
Every Saturday 10:00 – 11:00 am	Men's Facility
1 st & 3 rd Saturday 11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Men's Facility (different facility)

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

Thank you for letting me of service.

David G.