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Manteca, CA 95336

### Behind the Walls Sponsorship Program Volunteer Sponsor Orientation

**Presented by California Mid-State Region** 





# "The therapeutic value of one addict helping another is without parallel."



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### **Our Mission**

• To ensure all are afforded an opportunity to gain recovery from active addiction and find a new way of life through working the 12 Steps of Narcotics Anonymous.



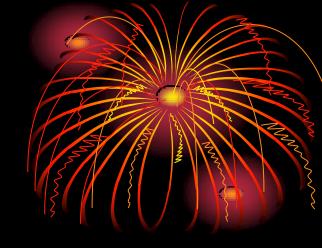
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# **Our General Purpose**

#### • To provide written step working guidance to any incarcerated addict desiring recovery within Narcotics Anonymous.



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# **Our Willingness**



• To remain

**Totally Anonymous** to the Incarcerated Addicts we are corresponding with.



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# Anonymity..... Yours & Theirs

#### All Correspondence Will Be Anonymous, NO PERSONAL DETAILS SHALL BE PROVIDED! A "Correspondence ONLY" Agreement will be Signed & Kept On File



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# Anonymity.... Yours & Theirs

- Pen Names or 1<sup>st</sup> Name ONLY
- Program Mailing Address ONLY to be Used
- No Personal Details;
  Last Names, Phone #s, Addresses



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# Anonymity.... Yours & Theirs

 Incarcerated Addict's Location Information or Other Details are Confidential and WILL NOT BE PROVIDED to Anybody!



- At Least Two (2) Years Continuous Cleantime
- Must Carry a CLEAR NA Message of Recovery



- You Must Work the 12 Steps of Narcotics Anonymous
- You Must Attend One (1) Volunteer Orientation Annually
- You Must Reply to the Letters Received Within Two (2) Weeks



- You Must Not Agree to ANY Personal Contact
- You Must Abide by ALL Rules & Regulations of the Facility
- Men Work with Men & Women Work with Women



- They Must Have At Least One (1) Year Remaining on their Incarceration Time
- They Must Be Willing to Work the 12 Steps of NA



#### Qualifications & Responsibilities Yours & Theirs ....

 Everyone Must Understand ALL Correspondence is
 Subject to Facility Staff Review NO Privacy Guaranteed



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### **How Does It Work?**



- Letters are received in PO Box.
- Collected and Sent to Sponsors
- Sponsors Reply, Sending Back to Sponsees, using CMSR BTW PO Box as the Return Address





### How Does It Work? (cont.)

 This is How We Guarantee Correspondence Anonymity to Ensure Nobody's Clearance is Compromised



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# Correspondence ONLY Agreement

- Necessary to be Signed and Kept On File
- Provides Personal Contact Information
- Identifies Our Mission & General Purpose



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# Correspondence ONLY Agreement (cont.)

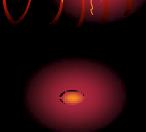
 Provides List of Correspondence Agreements & Instructions

 Refrain: To Abstain from an Impulse to Say or Do Something



### What Is The Mailing Address To Be Used?







# What Does the Acronym Stand For?

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# **How Do I Volunteer?**



- Attend One (1) Volunteer Orientation Annually
- Presented Quarterly;
  Sept. / Dec. / March / June
- Ensure Signed-In @ Orientation



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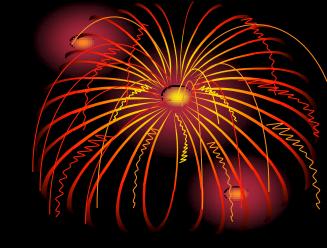
## When Can I Start?



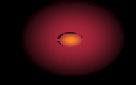
 After Attending Volunteer Orientation You Will Be Assigned One (1) Sponsee, or More, If You are Willing & <u>Available</u>







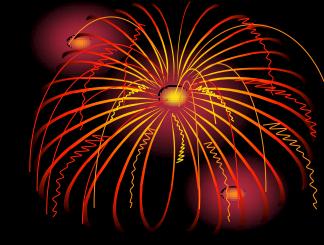
### Can I Be "Fired"?



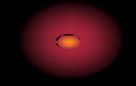
- Yes, If You No Longer Meet the Clean Time Requirement
- Yes, If You Do Not Reply Within Two (2) Weeks to Letters







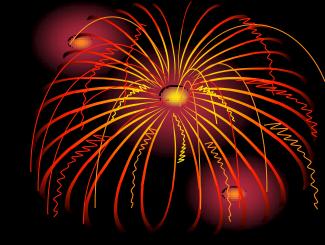
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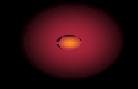
• Yes, If You Provide Personal Details, Relay Messages, Packages, or Letters to ANYONE







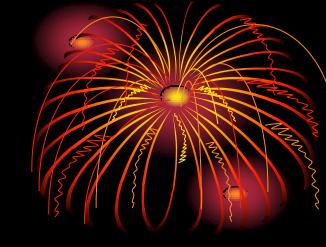
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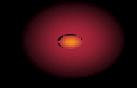
- Yes, If You Arrange Any Meetings with Sponsee Upon Their Release from Custody
- Yes, If You Fail to Attend the Annual Orientation







### Can I Be "Fired"?



- Yes, If Either the Sponsee or the Sponsor Decide to Stop Corresponding
- Yes, Once the Sponsee Is Released from Custody



### Can I Meet With My Sponsee After They Are Released?

 NO! It is Critical That Anonymity Be Maintained to Ensure the Program Remains Effective and Individual Clearances Are
 Not Compromised



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### What Is The ONLY Return Mailing Address To Be Used?

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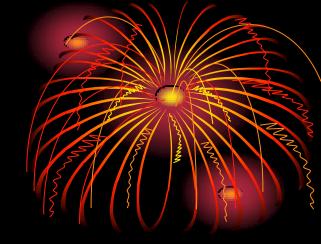
# What Should the Envelope Look Like?

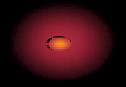
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> Incarcerated Sponsee Name CDCR or Other ID # Prison Name / Housing Info - (e.g. Yard # - Bldg. # - Bunk #) PO Box or Other Mailing Address City, State, Zip









### Thank You for Your Willingness to Be of Service.

# Please remember to sign-in.