

TO: THE COMPOSITE GROUP

FROM : SOUTHERN NEVADA REGION

MY REGION HAS ASKED ME TO WRITE THIS LETTER CONCERNING THE SURVEY. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY UP FRONT THAT THIS IS FROM OUR ENTIRE SERVICE STRUCTURE . NOT JUST FROM ME AS R.S.R.. WE RECENTLY RECEIVED THE AREA REGIONAL SURVEY AND TOOK THE TIME OUT OF OUR AREA/REGIONAL MEETING TO ANSWER THE QUESTIONS. DUE TO OUR SIZE AND GEOGRAPHICS IN SOUTHERN NEVADA (LAS VEGAS) WE HAVE ONE COMMITTEE THAT DOES ALL OF OUR BUSINESS. WE CALL IT AN A.S.C., BUT IT IS QUITE UNIQUE. IN ADDITION TO G.S.R.,S WE HAVE ALL SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRS, OUR ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE, R.S.R. AND SERVICE BODY.

WHEN I RECEIVED AND LOOKED OVER THE INVENTORY, I FOUND ITS FORMAT TO BE CONFUSING. SOME QUESTIONS WERE CUT AND DRY ,BUT NOT MANY. ALSO A LOT OF THE QUESTIONS BROUGHT UP SERVICE BODIES AND ISSUES NEVER ADDRESSED BEFORE IN OUR REGIONAL MEETING. THE R.S.R-A, MYSELF AND ANOTHER KNOWLEDGE MEMBER ATTEMPTED TO EXPLAIN ALL OF THE SERVICE ENTITIES BEFORE TAKING THE SURVEY. IT ALSO SEEMED WHEN WE STARTED ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS, WE WOULD GET STUCK WITH "WHAT IS THAT", " WHAT DOES THAT MEAN", " WHAT ARE THE IMPLICATIONS". THE QUESTIONS THAT ROUND ABOUT RELATED TO THE COST EQUALIZATION CONFUSED PEOPLE. THEY HAD NO INFORMATION TO GO ON. THE QUESTION ON FUNDING WORLD SERVICE FROM THE REGION IS ANOTHER ONE THAT CONFUSED EVERYONE.

IN GENERAL, WE ALL FELT QUITE FRUSTRATED WITH ALL OF THIS. WE FOUND IT AMBIGUOUS AND MISLEADING. THE THREE PRONGED RESPONSE DIDN'T HELP MATTERS A LOT, SOMETIMES WE WERE SPLIT RIGHT DOWN THE MIDDLE DUE TO LACK OF INFORMATION AND " DON'T KNOW" WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN APPROPRIATE. WE ARE SENDING WITH THIS LETTER AN UNFINISHED SURVEY. AS A REGION WE TOOK A GOOD LOOK AT OUR COLLECTIVE LACK OF KNOWLEDGE OF WORLD SERVICES AND OUR PAST APATHY TOWARD IT. WE HOPE WE CAN BE BETTER INFORMED IN THE FUTURE.

PLEASE RESPOND TO THIS LETTER IN WRITING. WE WOULD LIKE TO HELP
ANYWAY WE CAN.

THANK YOU.

DAVID OWENS

R.S.R.

SOUTHERN NEVADA REGION OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS