



H.A.W.S. **MAINLINE**

Heroin Anonymous World Services
Monthly Bulletin

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This informational bulletin's purpose is to
increase communication between the groups of
Heroin Anonymous throughout the world.



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H.A.W.S Board Update

Greetings from Heroin Anonymous!

Here is some information to help you stay up to date with all things Heroin Anonymous. For those of you Mainline subscribers that are new, the HAWS board is compiled primarily of H.A. members who meet monthly to tend to H.A. business throughout the year.

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We can also be contacted through our website at: www.heroinanonymous.org

2024 HAWS Conference and Convention: Want to celebrate Heroin Anonymous's 20th birthday? Want to get in on the action at the next conference or attend the huge H.A. World Party (Convention) in August 2024? Head to heroinanonymous.org/convention/ for more info and begin to book travel to Buffalo, NY. Woohoo!

Bookmarks/Merchandise/Art Request: H.A. World Services has produced its first ever H.A. World merchandise... bookmarks! These limited edition designs are available now at \$3 per bookmark. Head to www.HeroinAnonymous.org/Order to snag some! We have a request for creative or artistic H.A. Members: please send any merchandise ideas or designs to Merchandise@HeroinAnonymous.org.

Virtual Meetings: Do you want to attend an H.A. meeting 1,000 miles away from your very own couch? Do you find it interesting to hear heroin addicts from another region share their experience, strength, and hope? We have close to 30 active Zoom meetings in 10 different states. Go to our world website, click meetings, and click the link for online meetings. Make sure to convert the time zone! Email HawsWebmaster@HeroinAnonymous.org if you notice any inaccuracies or want to add a meeting.

HAWS Positions: Looking for more involvement with H.A.? Then service with the HAWS board may be right for YOU! Our nominations committee is continuing to screen applications, interview, and recommend candidates to join the board. If you are interested in the following positions, please send service resumes, references, and inquiries to: HawsSecretary@HeroinAnonymous.org.

Vice-Treasurer: This position serves to support the Treasurer in all HAWS financial matters including budgeting, tax filing, supervising bank accounts, and assessing the financial status of this fellowship.

Non-Addict Advisor: This is someone who is not a member of H.A. They may be an expert in recovery fellowships, non-profits, or possess various business skills that they wish to volunteer for the good of H.A.

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Heroin Addict Advisor: This is someone who is a member of H.A. This person will utilize their experience with H.A. and 12-Step service to advise the board.

Public Information Chair: This position is for a member of H.A. who will work with public information at the world level. The efforts of Public Information can be best summarized as taking actions to increase the general population's awareness and accessibility of Heroin Anonymous.

At-large Voting Member: This position is for new members to the board; its sole function is to show up and help us to discuss and vote on decisions. Eventually, these members join other committees and may be asked to fill other roles. For example, for one of these spots, we are looking for someone with experience in intellectual property or literature writing.

In loving service,

Anna A., HAWS Outreach Chair
HawsOutreach@HeroinAnonymous.org

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SUBMIT YOUR STORY **FOR AN H.A. BOOK!**

H.A. Book Writing Committee

During the 2023 H.A.W.S. Conference, the board created a committee to prepare a draft of the **first-ever Heroin Anonymous book**. This decision was made following a survey of the fellowship, which found there was great interest in a piece of literature with personal stories.

The Book Writing Committee is now calling for story submissions that cover a broad range of experiences with heroin and recovery. A collection of these stories will be selected by the committee to

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appear in a potential Heroin Anonymous book, to be made available to H.A. members and the public.

You can now submit your personal story online, by email, or by mail. More details can be found on the [H.A. website](#), or you can go directly to the [online submissions portal](#). Even if your story isn't selected for the first draft of the book, you can still be considered for inclusion in The Mainline – just be sure to “opt in” for consideration when you submit your story. You have until November 1, 2024 to send in your submission.

What kinds of stories are we looking for? Any personal story that could help the heroin addict who still suffers to identify and learn more about the 12 Steps and Heroin Anonymous. The chosen stories could describe your background and experience with heroin but also explain how you discovered Heroin Anonymous, your experience with the fellowship and the Steps, and what you have done to stay sober and carry the message.

There is no word limit, but the recommended word count is 1,500-3,500 words. Handwritten stories should be about five to six pages. Stories may be edited by the committee for length and clarity after submission.

If you need help with your submission, have questions, or know someone whose story would be valuable to include, please contact the committee. You can email us at nonaddictadvisor@heroinanonymous.org.

Remember: the anonymity of all authors will be honored whether your story is selected for potential publication or not. Everyone will receive equal consideration no matter their writing style, grammar, or spelling – we're interested in your experience, strength, and hope.

Thank you to everyone who is participating in this process!

Sincerely,

The H.A. Book Writing Committee

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*Are you a heroin/opiate/opioid addict
who found freedom through the 12 steps?*

**Start an H.A. Meeting in your
area today!**



START A HEROIN ANONYMOUS MEETING!

IT'S SIMPLE:

1. Get a few heroin/opiate/opioid addicts together
2. Secure a meeting location, day, and time
3. Order a FREE Start Up Kit from
HAStartUpKits@HeroinAnonymous.org
4. Refer to the suggested meeting readings and formats on the H.A.
World Website
5. Carry the message to the sick and suffering Heroin Addict!

Email: HawsOutreache@HeroinAnonymous.org
for more information and direct assistance

Tradition 6: An HA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the HA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property or prestige divert us from our primary purpose

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heroinanonymous.org → 'book news' tab

Go to the webpage above for instructions and more info!

H.A. STORY SUBMISSION REQUEST



HEROIN ANONYMOUS INVITES YOU TO SHARE
YOUR PERSONAL STORY OF RECOVERY!

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If you would like your meeting featured in our meeting spotlight or have any other content you would like to submit, please feel free to contact us at haworldbulletin@gmail.com.

Thank you!

The Folks at The Mainline



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