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Hello Region V Fellowship,

I am the current IG Outreach chairperson for Region V. The IG Outreach committee focuses on contacting groups who haven't been affiliated with intergroups and intergroups who have been missing Region V assemblies.

From March to July, committee members contacted every intergroup by mail and a follow-up phone call. The letters encouraged intergroups to consider taking advantage of an abstinence waiver request which is available from Joe, or financial assistance (forms available on website) from Region V. We also contacted every unaffiliated group to see if we could be helpful in getting them to intergroup meetings.

From July to November, the committee chose to make phone calls to members of each intergroup which missed the last two Regional assemblies and invited them to join us in November, reminding them of the financial assistance that is available.

I have had feedback from some members asking for more information on events which intergroups or Region V sponsors. I'm emailing committee members this week suggesting we contact appropriate intergroups and give them unaffiliated group information and suggest they send each group a copy of their newsletter so outlying areas are informed of IG activities.

Committee members are selected first by request from the members themselves, then secondly by the Region V secretary, placing members where needed for a particular assembly.

Hope this information is helpful.

B. W.,
IG Outreach chairperson