

Literature Center Next Steps – Proposed Plan and Timeline June 15, 2026

The “*A Message from the Literature Center Board*” was presented at the monthly District 3 Meeting on June 16th and seemed to be well received. To build on that discussion, the Board is exploring the next logical steps for this transition.

The points below are proposals for discussion to help us gather feedback. No final decisions have been made.

Key Message

“We are not closing the Literature Center. We are exploring how to transition its vital services and benefits directly into District 3.”

Value Statement:

“Our goal is to reduce operational costs and eliminate structural redundancy, guided by Al-Anon Principles and The Concepts.”

Proposed Service Transitions:

Financial:

- Establish a reasonable Prudent Reserve for the transition period.
- Return all funds exceeding the Prudent Reserve to District 3.
- Revise the remaining 2026 Budget to reflect these proposed structural changes.

Outreach:

- Transfer the Volunteer Coordinator role to the District 3 Outreach Committee.
- Move management of the After-Hours phone line to the District 3 Outreach Committee.
- Move coordination of 12th-Step call volunteers to the District 3 Outreach Committee.

Fund Raisers:

- Move all fundraising activities under the umbrella of District 3.

Mailboxes:

- Allow District 3 to decide whether to maintain the current central mailbox.
- Return group-specific physical mailboxes back to the individual groups.

CAL Sales:

- Transfer the Literature Coordinator role to District 3.
- Encourage local groups to purchase literature directly from the World Service Office (WSO).
- Pause all new literature purchases immediately.
- Create a clear plan to sell, donate, or distribute the remaining physical inventory.

Legal:

- Maintain the existing Corporation status and fulfill all current legal obligations for the immediate future to ensure a smooth, legal transition.

Timeline:

- Collaboratively build a step-by-step timeline based on District 3 and Board feedback.