35th Annual Debtors Anonymous World Service Conference

"Sponsorship: Carry the Message – Be One, Have One"

> Friday, August 6, 2021 Saturday, August 7, 2021 Sunday, August 8, 2021

Saturday, August 14, 2021 Sunday, August 15, 2021

A Virtual Conference with logistical support by the New York City Area Host Committee

Registration Packet

The D.A. World Service Conference

The World Service Conference (WSC) is the annual business meeting of Debtors Anonymous. It is where General Service Representatives (GSR's), Intergroup Service Representatives (ISR's), and the General Service Board (GSB) Trustees gather to review the state of the D.A. Fellowship, work on topics like new D.A. literature concepts and new outreach methods, and vote on important issues affecting D.A. as a whole. Every registered D.A. group, including Intergroups, may send one representative to the WSC.

This document contains the information delegates need to register for the Conference and provides information that will help groups prepare for having a representative participate in the virtual Conference.

The 2021 virtual Conference will take place using Zoom videoconferencing technology. Only registered delegates will be able to attend the videoconference. Delegates must have access to a computer, smartphone, or tablet with the latest version of Zoom installed. See Page 4 for more information.

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Important Dates and Deadlines

Issues & Concerns submission cutoff — <u>debtorsanonymous.org/inc</u>	April 1
John H. Scholarship Fund donation deadline for 2021 WSC	April 15
John H. Scholarship application deadline	May 16
John H. Scholarship recipients notified by	June 13
2023-24 Host City bids due — <u>debtorsanonymous.org/hostwsc</u>	July 1
Virtual Conference Early Registration Discount Deadline	July 4
Virtual Conference Registration Final Deadline (with additional fees)	July 25

Learn about the Conference: Pre-Conference Orientation Calls

All Conference attendees are encouraged to attend one or both of the pre-Conference orientation calls:

Call #1: Sunday, June 27, 2021 — Selecting your Committee/Caucus

1:00 – 2:30 p.m. USA Eastern Time (UTC-4)

Call #2: Saturday, July 24, 2021 — Overview of the World Service Conference

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. USA Eastern Time (UTC-4)

Dial-in Number: (605) 472-5540

Access Code: 617093

International phone numbers (and online access) are available at https://debtorsanonymous.org/call-in-access

Conference Registration Information

Conference Registration and Payment

- 1. **Registration.** To register for the Conference, you must either:
 - Register online at https://www.debtorsanonymous.org/wsc2021registration

or

- Mail the form on page 6 of this packet to the General Service Office.
- Group Number. You must provide your group number when registering. To locate your group number, use the "Find a Meeting" page on the D.A. website: https://debtorsanonymous.org/find-meetings
- 3. **Payment.** To pay for registration fees, you must either:
 - Pay online at https://debtorsanonymous.org/wsc2021payment
 - Mail the form on page 6 with a check made out to "DAGSB" to: 2021 WSC – Registration P.O. Box 920888 Needham, MA 02492-0009
 - *Delegates outside of the U.S.: If you are unable to pay online, email wsc2021@debtorsanonymous.org to make arrangements to pay via a funds transfer.
- 4. **Registration Confirmation.** Confirmation of your registration will be sent by email. If you do not receive confirmation by July 31, please contact the GSO.
- Refunds. To request a refund for Conference registration, notify the General Service Office via email at: wsc2021@debtorsanonymous.org or telephone (781-453-2743) by 4:00 pm ET, Sunday, July 24, 2021.
- 6. **Terms and Conditions.** By submitting a completed registration form, online or via postal mail, you consent to the policies, terms and conditions herein.

Fees

WSC Early Registration Discount Rate for delegates only (deadline July 4)
 WSC Final Registration Rate for delegates only (deadline July 25)
 The Registration fee covers Zoom Pro videoconferencing costs, salaries for special workers (Parliamentarian, Event Logistics Manager, two Videoconferencing Specialists, Office Manager), and administrative expenses involved in producing a World Service Conference.

Fellowship Day (<u>Not included in registration fee.</u>)
 Note regarding Fellowship Day: No one will be turned away from the sessions on Fellowship Day for lack of funds.

Note regarding guests: To register a guest for the Fellowship Day sessions, use the Guest Registration Form on page 11.

Policies

1. World Service Conference Registration Policies

1. Registration Fee

- a. The Registration Fee covers the expenses of conducting the World Service Conference (WSC) and must be received by the General Service Office (GSO) by the deadline printed in the Registration Packet.
- b. The Registration Fee is not pro-ratable for delegates that do not attend all days of the Conference.

2. Registration Cancellation and Refund Policy

- a. A registered delegate can cancel their Conference registration and receive a full refund of any previously paid registration fees, by notifying the GSO, via email or phone, up to 14 days prior to the start of the Conference.
- b. Refunds will be issued via check; within 30 days of the date the refund request is received by the GSO.

3. Registration Transfer

a. A registered delegate can only transfer a paid registration to a delegate who will take the place as representative of that same group (as listed by group number in the registration).

4. Extenuating Circumstances and Participation in a Conference Committee

a. When a registered, returning General Service Representative (GSR) or Intergroup Service Representative (ISR) is unable to attend the WSC due to extenuating circumstances that occur within the two-week period preceding the Conference, the GSR or ISR may participate as a voting member of a WSC committee during the Conference year that follows, provided that: 1) It is the same Committee for which they served in the previous Conference year, and 2) the newly formed Committee unanimously approves the participation of the GSR/ISR.

2. World Service Conference Policies

- 1. Parliamentary Procedure. Roberts Rules of Order is the main Parliamentary Procedure employed by 12-step Fellowships, including Debtors Anonymous. There are many online resources for delegates to familiarize themselves with Roberts Rules of Order in advance of Convocation, which is when the General Assembly votes on motions during the WSC.
- **2. Decorum.** Delegates are expected to adhere to standards of decorum. The Conference reserves the right to vote to remove a member temporarily or permanently from participation for just cause, i.e. verbally abusive behavior, as determined by the Conference group conscience.
- **3. Delegate Qualification.** If a local group or Intergroup votes to remove a member from serving as their GSR or ISR or if a WSC committee or caucus votes to remove a member from their group for just cause, that member will no longer qualify as a delegate for the Conference year.
- **4. Delegate Service.** Delegates are required to serve on one WSC committee and may elect to serve on one WSC caucus. Delegates who rotate out of service at the end of a three-year term are expected to serve on their WSC committee until the end of the Conference year.
- **5. Committee Attendance.** Consistent non-attendance of WSC committee meetings during the Conference year may impact a member's eligibility to be defined as a delegate in consideration of future John H. Scholarships.
- **6. Service Guidelines.** Delegates will receive the 2021 D.A. Manual of Service (DAMS) which describes important information about Debtors Anonymous. Delegates should consult the General Service Board (GSB) if they have any questions that are not answered in the DAMS. The GSB may add new policies to the DAMS as well as replace, change, or cancel existing policies. It is the responsibility of each delegate to read and follow the policies contained in this DAMS and any changes made to it. The DAMS is not a legal document or a contract.
- 7. Copyright Assignment. By submitting a completed registration form, World Service Conference (WSC) attendees release to Debtors Anonymous General Service Board, Inc., any and all ownership and use rights for material submitted to WSC committees and caucuses during the Conference year. This includes, but is not limited to, written, graphic, and audio materials. Debtors Anonymous General Service Board, Inc. (DA-GSB, Inc.) is the not-for profit corporation that has legal and fiduciary responsibility for the spiritual fellowship of Debtors Anonymous.

3. Virtual Conference Policies

- 1. Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the World Service Conference will be conducted remotely via Zoom videoconference technology.
 - a. Delegates will have access to attend all General Assembly sessions, as well as all of the committee and (optional) caucus meetings each delegate has chosen to participate on.
 - b. Delegates will have the same duty to participate in a WSC committee, both during the Conference and throughout the year, and the same right to participate in a caucus. All meetings will be conducted in English this Conference year.
 - c. The virtual Conference is conducted in English. The majority of email communications, as well as committee and caucus meetings throughout the year, are conducted in English.
 - **d.** There is no requirement to create a Zoom account to attend the virtual Conference on Zoom. DA-GSB, Inc is not liable for any issue a delegate has in using a personal Zoom account.
 - **e.** All possible steps shall be taken to protect the anonymity of delegates, including requiring those participating remotely to certify that they can call in from a room or location that will remain free from entry by non-delegates while the delegate is online.
 - f. Each delegate must have a unique device (smartphone, tablet, or computer) to participate.
 - g. Convocation voting will be conducted via Zoom Polls with the results shared after each vote. It is the responsibility of each delegate to ensure the capability of their device to enable participation in Zoom Polls.
 - **h.** Further details about how to use Zoom, how the virtual WSC will be conducted, and Zoom best practices will be emailed to delegates closer to the Conference.
 - i. It cannot be guaranteed that there won't be technical or other issues. If each participating delegate can communicate their needs, scheduling intentions and issues, and overall experience throughout the Conference it will aid in developing this process.

2. Registration Refund Policy due to Technical Issues

a. If a Delegate cannot access the virtual Conference due to connectivity or other technological issues, they can request a refund and the DA-GSB will consider the request and decide. There is no guarantee of refund and DA-GSB, Inc is not financially responsible for connectivity and technological issues. Every effort will be made to ensure remote access to the Conference.

WSC Attendee Reminders

- This is D.A.'s annual business conference, the purpose of which is to conduct the business of D.A. Conference attendees should not promote or sell other products or services at the WSC or Fellowship Day.
- Tradition Eleven states "Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need
 always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films." This has been extended to all
 other media. Hence, we suggest that members use first names and last initials only and no personal email
 addresses on documents circulated at the WSC (except committee rosters), as sometimes these documents
 have been posted on the Internet.
- Delegates: Please have your own personal D.A. and A.A. Literature for your use as reference in your Committee and Caucus work. For additional reference, all delegates will receive an electronic 2021 edition of the Debtors Anonymous Manual for Service (DAMS).

Conference Registration Form for GSRs, ISRs, and Trustees

(Register online or mail this form)

2021 D.A. World Service Conference (WSC), August 6-8, 14-15, 2021

(Keep a copy of this page for your records.)

First name:		Last na	ame:		
Address:					
City:	State/Prov.	rov. Country: Postal code:			:
Phone:	Email address: (Required, please write clearly)				
☐ YES		☐ Check here to join the Delegate Contact List (If yes, please keep confidential)			
Committee on which you plan to serve See Page 10. *Delegates must select in a) logistics.			
Caucus on which you plan to serve*: Optional, see Page 10. *Delegates must s	select in advar	nce due to logis	stics.		
Binder Choice: Electronic binder only. PDF files of the binder contents will be available by email.					
Is this your first WSC? □□Yes □□ No □ GSR (General Service Rep			☐ ISR (Intergroup Se	rvice Rep.)	☐ Trustee
Group name:		Group location (city):		Group #:	
☐ Check here if representing multiple	Group #s of other meetings represented:				
☐ Check here if you are interested in serving as a mentor to new delegates.			ere if you would rough the proc		stance of a mentor to delegate.
Delegates are automatically subscribed to D.A.'s eNews announcements and can unsubscribe via the link at the end of each eNews email. □ Already subscribed at https://debtorsanonymous.org/enews					

Terms:

- 1. **Group number is required.** Registrations without group numbers may be delayed or returned. To locate your group number, use the "Find a Meeting" page on the D.A. website: http://debtorsanonymous.org/find-meetings
- 2. **Registration Confirmation.** To receive confirmation of registration, provide an email address. If you do not receive a confirmation of early registration by July 11 or late registration by July 28, please contact the General Service Office (GSO).
- 3. Payment for registration. Conference registration must be paid for online at https://debtorsanonymous.org/wsc2021payment or by check, in a single payment accompanying this Registration Form, by the listed deadline.
- 4. Refunds: Refer to World Service Conference Registration Policies on page 3.
- 5. **Videoconference Participation.** All delegates must have Internet access and a computer or mobile device capable of Zoom videoconferencing with the latest version installed. DA-GSB will make all effort to ensure connectivity and technological access within our control. DA-GSB, Inc. is ultimately not financially responsible for any issues related to the use of Zoom, including connectivity or access.
- 6. **Release Regarding Materials**. By submitting a completed registration form, either online or by postal mail, WSC attendees release to Debtors Anonymous General Service Board, Inc., any and all ownership and use rights for material submitted to WSC committees and caucuses during the Conference year. This includes, but is not limited to, written, graphic, and audio materials. Debtors Anonymous General Service Board, Inc., is the not-for profit corporation that has legal and fiduciary responsibility for the spiritual Fellowship of D.A.
- 7. Waiver. D.A., DA-GSB, Inc, and employees, board, and all associates are released and discharged from any and all liability, claims, demands, or causes of action that may hereafter have for damages and injuries arising out of the World Service Conference, the Mentor/Mentee Program and service throughout the Conference year including but not limited to losses caused by the negligence of the released parties.
- 8. **Terms and Conditions.** By submitting a completed registration form, either online or by postal mail, you consent to the 2021 WSC Registration Packet policies, terms and conditions herein.

Delegate Payment by Check Form

To pay by check, you must complete and send this form to the GSO, whether you register online or via postal mail*.

To pay online, go to the link at the top of page 3 in this packet.

D.A. World Service Conference, August 6-8, 14-15, 2021

(Keep a copy of this page for your records.)

Fir	st name:	Last name:		
Reg	istration Options			
1.	Conference Registration for delegates only		Enter y amour belov	nts
	Early Deadline submitted on or before July 4, 2021	\$ 200.00	\$	
	Final Deadline submitted between July 5 to July 25, 2021	\$ 300.00	\$	
2.	Fellowship Day (Not included in registration fee.)	\$ 15.00	\$	
	To register a guest for the Fellowship Day sessions, please use packet. No one will be turned away from the sessions for lack of	•		
4.	Seventh Tradition (Optional contribution)		\$	
5.	John H. Scholarship Fund (Optional contribution)		\$	
		Total Enclosed		

To pay by check you must send this form to the General Service Office. If you are attending Fellowship Day, include the optional fee in your payment. To pay online, please go to the link at the top of page 3 in this packet.

*International delegates: After registering, email wsc2021@debtorsanonymous.org to make arrangement to pay via a funds transfer if you are unable to pay online.

Send this Payment Form with your payment.

Make checks payable to DAGSB.

Mail to:

2021 WSC Registration, PO Box 920888, Needham, MA USA 02492-0009

Final Registration deadline: July 25, 2021

Your Role at the Conference and Committee/Caucus Descriptions

When attending the World Service Conference and throughout the year that follows, every GSR and ISR serves on a Conference Committee. This includes attending all sessions of your Committee during the Conference and continuing the work of your Committee in monthly teleconferences and various e-mail and phone communications during the conference year that follows. In preparation for this, please consider which committee you feel offers the best opportunity for your service to D.A. Due to the logistics of a virtual Conference, we ask delegates to choose a committee and optional caucus upon registering. For some returning delegates, rotating to a new committee provides the highest service to the D.A. Fellowship. Descriptions of the Committees are provided below. In addition to serving on a committee, you may also serve on one caucus.

World Service Conference Committees

BDA COMMITTEE (BDA)

The BDA (Business Debtors Anonymous) Committee's purpose is to carry the message to the still-suffering debtor and help them apply the Steps and Traditions to all their affairs and not debt one day at a time. The BDA Committee focuses on issues specific to the needs of D.A. members who own or operate businesses, are self-employed or have a desire to own or operate businesses or be self-employed. The BDA Committee is open to all GSRs and ISRs, not just those who represent BDA groups.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE (CC)

The Conference Committee is concerned with the general nature of the World Service Conference. This includes:

- •The Charter of the World Service Conference and its relationship to the General Service Board and membership of D.A. as a whole
- •Issues related to the format of the annual World Service Conference of Debtors Anonymous
- •Assistance to the Host Comm. in their planning and logistics
- •Recommendations of sites for future annual conferences

FELLOWSHIP COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE (FCC)

The Fellowship Communications Committee facilitates communication and promotes collaboration among the debtor who still suffers, the Debtors Anonymous membership, the World Service Conference Committees and Caucuses, the General Service Office, and the General Service Board.

HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, AND PRISONS COMM. (HIP)

The Hospitals, Institutions, and Prisons Committee carries the message of D.A. to the debtor who still suffers within hospital, institution and prison systems.

INTERNAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE (IOC)

The primary responsibility of the Internal Operations Committee (IOC) is to support the General Service Office (GSO) of Debtors Anonymous. The Committee:

- •Focuses on the overall office operations of the GSO
- Interacts with the Board Office Liaison and the Office Manager to support the ongoing work of the GSO

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

The International Committee's mission is to exchange information and develop initiatives to support the growth of D.A. internationally.

LITERATURE COMMITTEE (LIT)

D.A. Conference-approved literature begins with the Literature Committee. Members participate in all levels of the literature creative process, including:

- •Generating ideas for new D.A. literature
- Working closely with members of Literature Services
- Reviewing drafts of literature in process (given to them at the Conference by Literature Services)
- Approving final drafts of D.A. literature
- Bringing motions to approve drafts of literature to Convocation to become Conference-approved literature

PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE (PI)

The Public Information Committee works to carry the message of D.A. to the still-suffering debtor by interfacing with the media, helping professionals, the general public and the D.A. Fellowship-at-large, in person, on the telephone, and through written information. The Committee utilizes the Debtors Anonymous Public Information Manual and other D.A. Service Literature available to the entire D.A. Fellowship as a tool for outreach efforts, and supports and trains P.I. representatives as guided by the Twelve Traditions of D.A.

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (RDC)

Revenue for D.A. is the focus of the Resource Development Committee, including:

- Increasing Seventh Tradition contributions and clarifying the use of Seventh Tradition funds
- •Encouraging member participation in service at all levels
- Increasing awareness within the D.A. Fellowship about the importance of self-support

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE (TECH)

The Technology Committee is composed of delegates who have experience with and/or interest in leveraging technology to grow D.A. The Tech Committee focuses on harnessing technology to improve access to D.A.'s resources, facilitate communication within D.A., and reach out to the debtor who still suffers. The Committee advises the Conference and the GSB, as well as provides hands-on technical expertise where applicable.

World Service Conference Caucuses

INTERGROUP CAUCUS

The Intergroup Caucus is composed primarily of ISRs but also includes GSRs and Trustees who have experience with their local Intergroups. The main function of this Caucus is to create tools, resources, and a better understanding of the role of an Intergroup in the overall organizational structure of D.A. The Intergroup Caucus helps support both new and existing Intergroups. The Intergroup Caucus also contributes to the efforts to regionalize D.A.

SPIRITUALLY SUSTAINABLE EARNING CAUCUS (SSEC)

Created by the 2016 WSC, the Spiritually Sustainable Earning Caucus supports the D.A. Fellowship as a whole in gaining clarity, understanding, and using tools to address the ways that underearning cripples debting sobriety and how it can be relieved through the Twelve Steps of Debtors Anonymous.

UNDERSERVED AND UNDER-REPRESENTED OUTREACH CAUCUS (UUOC)

The mission of the Underserved and Under-Represented Caucus is to support the Fellowship in carrying the message of Debtors Anonymous to the debtor in underserved populations and locations. We coordinate with World Service Conference Committees and Caucuses by developing best practices for doing that work and sharing it with D.A. as a whole.

Preliminary Conference Schedule

All times below are listed in Eastern Daylight Time. Convert to your zone at https://thetimezoneconverter.com.

Start and End Times (Factors Davisht Time) Activity				
(Eastern Da	ylight Time)	·		
Saturday, July 31				
11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. Zoom Videoconferencing Tech Training for WSC Attendees				
11.00	I	Sunday, August 1		
11:00 a.m.	1:00 p.m.	Parliamentary Training for WSC Attendees		
	T	Friday, August 6		
9:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	Conscious Contact		
10:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	Zoom Videoconferencing Tech Support for Delegates		
11:00 a.m.	12:00 noon	General Assembly Session 1: Conference Opening and Orientation		
12:30 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	Caucus Session 1: Elections, Call Schedule, Identify 2021-22 projects		
3:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	Welcoming Delegates Social Event (more details to come)		
	T.	Saturday, August 7		
9:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	Conscious Contact		
10:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	Zoom Tech Support		
11:00 a.m.	12:00 noon	General Assembly Session 2: GSB Chair and Treasurer Reports		
12:15 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	General Assembly Session 3: Open Forum		
2:30 p.m.	3:00 p.m.	Break		
3:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	Committee Session 1: Elections, Call Schedule, Identify 2021-22 projects		
		Sunday, August 8		
9:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	Conscious Contact or D.A./BDA open share meeting		
9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. Caucus Session 2: Prepare recommendations for Convocation		Caucus Session 2: Prepare recommendations for Convocation		
12:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. Committee Session 2: Identify 2021-22 projects		Committee Session 2: Identify 2021-22 projects		
2:00 p.m.	2:15 p.m.	Break		
2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	Committee Session 3: Prepare motions/recommendations for Convocation		
		Weekdays, August 9 – 12		
TE	3D	Committees & Caucuses may arrange time to hold extra meetings		
		Friday, August 13		
11:00 a.m. E	T deadline	Committees submit motions and recommendations to GSB		
11:00 a.m. E	T deadline	Caucuses submit recommendations to GSB		
11:00 a.m.	12:00 noon	WSC Chairs meet with each other		
12:00 noon	1:00 p.m.	General Service Board Open Meeting		
		Saturday, August 14		
9:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	Conscious Contact or D.A./BDA open share meeting		
10:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	Zoom Tech Support		
11:00 a.m.	2:00 p.m.	General Assembly Session 4: Convocation		
2:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.	Keynote Speaker #1 (open to all D.A. members)		
3:00 p.m.	6:45 p.m.	Fellowship Day workshops (open to all D.A. members)		
7:00 p.m.	7:45 p.m.	Keynote Speaker #2 (open to all D.A. members)		
8:00 p.m.	10:00 p.m.	Talent Show / Dance (open to all D.A. members)		
		Sunday, August 15		
9:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	Conscious Contact		
10:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	Zoom Tech Support		
11:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.	General Assembly Session 5: Convocation and closing		
4:30 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	D.A./BDA open share meeting		
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Note regarding the Convocation:

The Conference concludes with the Convocation sessions on Saturday and Sunday. These sessions are where issues that affect the Fellowship as a whole will be considered and decisions will be made. Your participation and votes are part of the group conscience of the worldwide D.A. Fellowship. Please arrange your schedule so you can participate in both Convocations on Saturday and Sunday.

2021 Service Opportunities

Volunteer for Service

Each year, the Conference provides opportunities for Conference delegates to give service. All volunteers must abide by the Twelve Traditions and, in accordance with Tradition Six, should not promote enterprises or businesses. If you wish to take advantage of any of the service opportunities below, please fill out the form on page 12 and mail with your registration form or email to wsc2021@danyc.org

1. Speakers: Fellowship Day

The New York City Area Host Committee needs D.A. members willing to speak on Zoom for approximately ten minutes on one of the topics listed below. All sessions are open. The audience for the following sessions will include compulsive debtors, newcomers to D.A., and possible non-members (i.e. professionals, family, or friends) who support the mission of D.A. to reach the debtor who still suffers.

	Track 1: The Twelve Steps	Track 2: The Twelve Traditions	Track 3: Sponsorship
3:00 – 3:45 p.m.	Steps 1-3: I Can't, God Can, Let God!	Traditions 1-3: Spiritual Abundance	Be One
4:00 – 4:45 p.m.	Steps 4-6: Looking Within	Traditions 4-6: Essential Interconnections	Have One
5:00 – 5:45 p.m.	Steps 7-9: Reaching Out	Traditions 7-9: Trusting the Process	Carry the Message
6:00 – 6:45 p.m.	Steps 10-12 Keeping It	Traditions 10-12 Keeping Viable and Vibrant	Group Sponsorship

In addition to the listed topics, there will be an additional track hosted by Debt-Anon—a 12-step program for those affected by a problem of compulsive debting in a relative or friend.

Speakers must have incurred no new, unsecured debt for at least one year. At the beginning of your share, you will be asked to state how long you have been free from incurring new unsecured debt. (Unsecured debt is any debt not backed up by some form of collateral).

Speakers should focus their sharing on not incurring any new unsecured debt, working the Twelve Steps, using the D.A. Tools, and applying the Twelve Traditions. Speakers should share how these foundations of the D.A. program have shaped their recovery. Speakers should also share their experience of how these D.A. cornerstones relate to the listed workshop topics. Speakers must abide by the Twelve Traditions and should limit their sharing to their own experience within the D.A. program. Also, in accordance with Tradition Six, speakers should not promote enterprises or businesses.

Speakers in Tracks 1-3 will be recorded with audio only recordings to be published on the D.A. website at https://debtorsanonymous.org/podcasts. All speakers will have to sign an Assignment of Rights release form.

2. Leaders: Conscious Contact Sessions

The Conference will include a 60-minute Conscious Contact session at the beginning of each day. The goal is to give members the opportunity to practice Step Eleven, through meditation, music, physical movement, and other relaxation/spiritual/self-care practices. Leaders are needed.

3. Performers: Gala Talent Show

Have a talent? Consider performing in the Talent Show, which is part of the Saturday night Gala. <u>In accordance with Tradition Six, participants should not promote enterprises or businesses.</u>

Volunteer Service Form

		1		
First name:		Last name:		
Address:				
City:	State/Province:	Country:	Postal code:	
Home phone:		Cell phone:		
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Email address: (please write clear	ly)			
I WOULD LIKE TO VOLU	INTEER TO:			
□ Be a Fellowship Day s	peaker.			
Speakers must have incurred no new unsecured debt for at least one year. At the beginning of your				
share, you will be asked to state how long you have been free from incurring new unsecured debt. (Unsecured debt is any debt not backed by some form of collateral.)				
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□ Lead a Conscious Cor	ntact session.			
			ugh meditation, music, physical	
movement and other relaxation	•	ractices.		
Tell us about the session y	ou would lead:			
□ Perform in the Gala Ta	lent Show.			
	ormers agree not to p	romote themselves or t	heir business in accordance with	
Tradition Six.				
Tall us about your talant				

Complete the form above and email to wsc2021@danyc.org

Guest Registration Form for Fellowship Day

Only General Service Representatives (GSRs) and Intergroup Service Representatives (ISRs) can attend the business sessions of the Conference. Guests are not allowed in the General Assembly sessions, committee sessions, caucus sessions, and/or the Convocation (final Saturday and Sunday mornings).

Guests are welcome to attend the Keynote speakers, the Fellowship Day speaker sessions, and the Talent Show and Dance, all of which will be held on Saturday, August 14, 2021.

Guests wanting to attend any of these events can pre-register with the form below or by making an online payment at https://debtorsanonymous.org/wsc2021fellowship

GUEST REGISTRATION for 2021 WSC E	events, Saturday, August 14, 2021:			
NAME:				
EMAIL:				
PHONE: ()				
Fellowship Day:	\$15.00 [*]			
TOTAL Enclosed:	\$			
☐ Check here if only attending as a member of Debt-Anon (Debt-Anon is a separate fellowship for friends & family of debtors)				
Make check payable and mail to:				
2021 WSC – Fellowship Day P.O. Box 920888 Needham, MA 02492-0009				
JULY 25, 2021 DEADLINE TO REGISTER	R A GUEST FOR FELLOWSHIP DAY BY MAIL			
*No one will be turned away from the Fello	owship Day sessions for lack of funds.			

For more information about the Fellowship Day or the Talent Show, please contact the New York City Area Host Committee at wsc2021@danyc.org

John H. Scholarship Program

Description and Instructions

The purpose of the John H. Scholarship Program is to provide financial assistance to GSRs and ISRs who are willing to be of service and to attend the Debtors Anonymous Annual World Service Conference but lack all the necessary funds to do so.

Allocation Criteria

The allocation procedure for distribution of scholarship funds follows a process mandated by guidelines previously approved by the World Service Conference. These guidelines follow on pages 14 and 15.

Deadlines

- 1. The deadline is May 16, 2021, for Scholarship applications for the Virtual World Service Conference and must be received by the General Service Office by that date. This allows the Host Committee time to make funding decisions and advise award recipients in a timely manner.
- 2. Funding decisions will be made by the Host Committee no later than May 30, 2021.
- 3. Applicants will be notified by June 13, 2021, by telephone, email, or postal mail.
- 4. Scholarship applications will be awarded in the order of the lowest amount requested to the highest amount requested. Groups able to partially fund their delegate expenses have a greater chance of receiving a Scholarship to cover the remaining expense.

Application Instructions (Application form is on page 15.)

In the personal Information section, please provide:

- 1. Your name, mailing address, phone number, and email address.
- 2. Your group name and group number.
- 3. Has your group ever received John H Scholarship funds? Years? (if known)

In the expense information section:

- 1. Registration fee is pre-entered on the form.
- 2. Fellowship Day.
- Total Amount needed.
- 4. Amount of Group(s) Contribution. Subtract total funds your group(s) can contribute.
- 5. Amount of scholarship needed. Enter amount requested from the scholarship fund.

Submitting the application:

Email completed application to: wsc2021@debtorsanonymous.org

Or mail completed application to: 2021 WSC John H. Scholarship Application P.O. Box 920888 Needham, MA 02492-0009

Applications must be <u>received</u> by May 16, 2021. If you apply for a scholarship, please wait to send in your Conference registration until <u>after</u> you have received notification regarding the final scholarship decision.

John H. Scholarship Funding Guidelines

(Last revised: August 2013 - Approved by the 2013 WSC. Note: As this is a Conference-approved document, it is published here in its original form although certain details do not apply to submitting an application to the virtual Conference.)

The general purpose of the Scholarship Fund is to provide financial assistance to those GSRs/ISRs who are willing to be of service and to attend the Debtors Anonymous World Service Conference but don't have all the necessary funds to do so.

The Scholarship Fund allocation process is to be administered by the Host Committee.

1. Suggested qualifications to apply:

Individual:

- (a) One year of not having incurred any new, unsecured debt;
- (b) A committed record of service at the group or Intergroup level;
- (c) Actively working the Twelve Steps and Twelve Tools of Debtors Anonymous;
- (d) Active member of home group; and
- (e) Willingness to fulfill Conference duties and to remain a committee member the entire Conference year.
- (f) If the GSR/ISR is a returnee to the conference, it is suggested that they have attended at least 7 out of 11 of the previous year's committee's calls.

Group:

(a) Group shall state on the application whether it has received John H. Scholarship funding, and if so, the years, if known.

2. Deadlines:

Scholarship applications must be received no less than sixty-five (65) days before the Early Registration Deadline. This allows the committee time to render a decision and reply to applicants in a timely manner. There can also be a published notice by an eNews announcement, in *The DA Focus* newsletter and *Ways & Means* magazine to notify when applications are available. Applications can be submitted as soon as they become available to avoid last-minute gridlock. Applications will also be available at www.debtorsanonymous.org once they become available.

Decisions will be made by the Host Committee at least fifty-five (55) days before the Early Registration Deadline. The Host Committee shall provide scholarship allocation information to the GSB Treasurer at the same time.

3. Notification to applicants:

Applicants will be notified at least fifty (50) days before the Early Registration Deadline.

4. Allocation:

One scholarship will be given based on the "Most Need." This will allow some GSRs/ISRs from small groups an opportunity to participate. However, (a) the group that is represented by the "Most Need" scholarship recipient must have been a registered meeting with the GSO and meeting on a regular basis for at least two years; (b) the "Most Need" recipient cannot receive this scholarship in two successive years; and (c) the group should have demonstrated that they have made an attempt to get their GSR/ISR to the Conference, for example, passing a separate basket or fundraisers.

The remainder of the fund will be allocated to those GSRs/ISRs with the "least need" first, in order to get more delegates to the Conference.

The scholarship is awarded to the group, not the individual. This means if an award is granted and then the individual cannot attend the WSC for whatever reason, the group can send another group member (the elected alternate GSR/ISR) instead and the alternate GSR/ISR may use the scholarship funds (as long as the funds are used for the group the scholarship was originally awarded to). If the group cannot send an alternate GSR/ISR, the funds go back into the scholarship fund for the host committee to re-award to a previously denied applicant.

5. Guidelines as to how applicants and GSO will be notified:

By telephone, email, or postal correspondence.

6. Written material explaining how funds are dispersed:

Funds are kept in a separate account by the GSB. The GSB will distribute funds as allocated by the Host Committee.

Funds available for scholarship will include all contributions collected up to March 31 of the year of Conference.

7. Record Keeping:

The Host Committee will follow the guidelines set forth in this Scholarship Fund application process. The Treasurer of the Host Committee will keep track of the name, address, meeting represented, and amounts of each fund recipient and forward a report to the GSB. The Conference Support Committee will maintain a file of all scholarship recipients.

If a recipient does not use all funds granted him or her by scholarship, the recipient will return the excess amounts to the GSO to be placed back into the Scholarship Fund. The recipient will complete an Actual Spending Plan (Column B on the Spending Plan Worksheet) and return it to the GSO within two (2) weeks following the last day of the Conference.

WSC 2021 John H. Scholarship Application Form

Name:		Group name:	
Address:			Group #
City:	State/Province:	Country:	Postal code:
Home phone: ()		Cell phone: ()	
Email address: (please write clearly)			
My grouphas has not received John H. Scholarship funds. Year(s) [if known]			

Applications must be received by the General Service Office by May 16, 2021.

Email completed application to:	
wsc2021@debtorsanonymous.org	

Or mail completed application to: 2021 WSC Registration John H. Scholarship Application P.O. Box 920888 Needham, MA 02492-0009

Please complete Column (A) only

	Α	В
Expenses:	Planned	Actual
A. Conference Registration (Early Registration required) (After Early Registration deadline of July 4, the cost is \$300)	\$200.00	
B. Fellowship Day (Saturday)	\$15.00	
Total		
Less: Amount of Group Contribution		
Total amount of scholarship requested		