

*SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS  
SPONSORSHIP BEHIND THE WALLS COMMITTEE*

Thank you for your interest.

Our primary purpose is to provide a Sponsor to work the Twelve Steps of Narcotics Anonymous to those people who are incarcerated in an institution and are not able to meet potential Sponsors at their local N.A. meetings. SBTW services are provided by mail only.

Sponsorship is provided until release, including a brief transition period after release.

Our mission is to ensure that any addict seeking recovery through a working knowledge of the Twelve Steps of Narcotics Anonymous has the opportunity to do so even in an institution.

Please note the following form is to help our subcommittee better assist you by placing you with a sponsor best suited for you. Please complete this form and return it to the address below:

Southern California Regional  
Sponsorship Behind the Walls committee  
1935 S. Myrtle Ave.  
Monrovia, CA 91016

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Male: \_\_\_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_\_\_ Do you identify as anything other than male or female? \_\_\_\_\_

Booking Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

When is your parole date: \_\_\_\_\_

How long is your sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

Where are you paroling to, City and State: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you read and write Spanish only and need a Spanish reading and writing sponsor?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Please keep in mind the screening process will take some time. We have not forgotten about you when you have not heard from us quickly. The mail process is very slow, we meet on a monthly basis, and we only get mail for this subcommittee once every month. We appreciate your desire to recover through the Twelve Steps of Narcotics Anonymous and we are doing our best to serve you.

Process: We will send you three assignments to do, one at a time. Please send each of these assignments back with your thoughts about how you relate to the material sent, if at all. Please write at least a paragraph. Please write #1, #2, or #3 on the envelope when you return them  
After all assignments have been completed, you will be assigned a Sponsor and sent NA books with which to work your steps. Your sponsor will get all your correspondence.

- Please write back within a month. If we do not hear from you within a reasonable amount of time, you will have to resubmit your request.
- If you have been assigned a sponsor and you stop hearing from them, please let us know. We will assign another one as soon as one is available.
- Please keep us updated with your current address. Our address is: Southern California Narcotics Anonymous Sponsorship Behind the Walls Committee, 1935 S. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, CA 91016

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**The Do's and Don'ts**

***What we do:***

- We guide you through the 12 steps of NA (Narcotics Anonymous). We are not AA (Alcoholics Anonymous).
- We will send only NA-approved literature (directly from the publisher to you)
- We sponsor only to the gate, with the exception of a short transition period after your release
- Contact with your Sponsor is limited to writing only
- We do not provide personal telephone numbers, addresses, photos, and any other information or items prohibited by our guidelines.
- We will follow all the rules and regulations of your facility
- We will exercise discretion about writing about any matter that could be construed as to jeopardize the safety and the security of your facility, its staff, its residents, this committee, or anyone else

***What we don't do:***

- We don't sponsor inmates with two years or less left to serve
- We don't pen pal
- We don't supply sponsees with materials, including envelopes, stamps, pre-stamped envelopes, writing paper, and writing implements
- We don't send any books, tapes, or items of this nature to anyone we do not sponsor
- We don't contact anyone for the Sponsee by letter or otherwise
- We don't call or visit Sponsees or have any contact with them outside the facility
- We don't put money on the Sponsee's books, send food or care packages, or send anything other than letters
- We don't arrange a Sponsor on the outside for the Sponsee upon release
- **We don't write letters to the parole board**
- We don't send out information on treatment or sober living facilities available on the outside, or any other community resources

Thank You,

*Southern California Region of Narcotics Anonymous  
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