

# Chicagoland Region Public Relations Report

## Narcotics Anonymous



November 21, 2023

*“The purpose of Public Relations in Narcotics Anonymous is to inform the public that NA exists and offers recovery from the disease of addiction. A public relations committee helps to ensure that accurate information about our fellowship is available to the public.”*

### Hospitals & Institutions

#### H&I Meetings

1.) Lake Borderline: 24	6.) Small Miracles: 1	11.) Swana: 0
2.) North Suburbs: 1	7.) Mid City: 20	12.) Fox Valley: 3
3.) North City: 4	8.) Near West: 7	13.) Rock River: 5
4.) South City: 10	9.) West Suburbs: 22	14.) Illinois Valley: 0
5.) South Suburbs: 11	10.) Joliet: 2	15.) We Do Recover Online: 2

Chicagoland Region H&I:

Weekly Total H&I Meetings as of 11/21/23 in the Chicagoland Region: 111

Expenses for the year 2023: Yearly Budget 11,457.98.00 Petty Cash :\$200 PR Allocated \$12,000

- The H&I PR Subcommittee met on November 19 .
- The H&I PR Subcommittee will meet Hybrid at the next subcommittee meeting @ the CSO.

### Public Relations

- Follow us on Instagram [@chicagolandregionna](http://instagram.com/chicagolandregionna?r=nametag)
- WSR-Writing Steps for Recovery, “Behind The Walls” needs volunteers to write & Sponsor inmates while they are incarcerated. If interested email [Chicagoregionpr@gmail.com](mailto:Chicagoregionpr@gmail.com) Address for WSR is updated to the new address of the CSO, 924 W. 38th Place, unit 109, Chicago, IL 60609 Emailing correctional facilities throughout Illinois to share with inmates WSR.

## Chicagona.org Web Report

### Front-end Changes

- Under the Meetings Tab: Should the facility hosting a meeting ask for a COI (certificate of insurance) groups can now request a COI for their meeting by checking a box. The web team is looking into coding that will allow the user to select their language. Subsequently, the meet list will be displayed in Spanish and eventually Polish languages. We are looking to do this without additional financial commitments.

- Under the Events Tab: The form has changed but the information remains similar. The text link & the CRC button has been updated to reflect XXXVI. The calendar itself now resides directly on the BMLT server. Which allows for immediate viewing once posted
- Under Subcommittees Tab: HIPR remains under construction pending each committee creating and sending in content.

2023 Summary of WCS Decisions still posted for viewing.

Area information has been updated per submissions.

### Back-end Changes

- Chicagona.org is also in the process of moving from residing on the Kentucky Server to its own server. This will not affect any current or future customer facing processes. The purpose is to continue streamlining our virtual presence. The new server will be fully managed by webmaster Steve.

Thanks to our members' usage of our site, the meeting information continues to grow in numbers as well as accuracy. Events are receiving the available insurance afforded to them.

As web administrator I remain willing & able to meet in person or virtually with anyone desiring to be coached on how to submit meeting or event information.

I can be reached @ 708 435 9257 or [aisaac129@yahoo.com](mailto:aisaac129@yahoo.com)

There is No Greater Honor than to be of Service.

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### Helpline

- Report and Flyers are available
- CALL REPORTS - For the past 30 days there were 202 English calls, 7 for the Spanish calls & 2 for Polish.
- Helpline volunteers will receive a monthly email of the schedule to mark their calendars.
- Helpline #'s 708-848-4884 English, 708-848-5194 Spanish, 708-680-7900 Polish
- Our next Quarterly Phonenumber is 2/15/23 at 8:00 pm. ZOOM ID: 820 2048 1090 Passcode 679081
- The English, Spanish & Polish Helpline need volunteers with 6 months clean time - email if interested [Chicagoland.na.helpline@gmail.com](mailto:Chicagoland.na.helpline@gmail.com)

### H&I PR Mentorship Panel

- Mentor Newer H&I PR Members / Areas, for more info. or to [obtain list](#) email, [Chicagoregionpr@gmail.com](mailto:Chicagoregionpr@gmail.com)

### Public Relations Projects

- PUBLIC RELATIONS - All Area Poster Drive was held on October 7,2023. Where all Areas picked up all the posters at the CSO office address-924 W 38TH Place Chicago, IL. Which included posters according to their neighborhood demographic, English, Spanish and Polish posters.

- Target places, ER's/Hospitals/Health Clinics, Police Departments, Post Offices, Community Centers/Parks, Colleges/Schools, Libraries, Fire Departments, Homeless Shelters, Welfare Offices, Churches, Laundromats & Factories. *Always ask to post a sign on private property*
- **Media projects:** - Facebook/CTA/MTD/PACE/CBS/WLS/NBC/WGN/FOX.- Ongoing
- **TV Correspondence:** Ongoing
- In need of women to be panel leaders at CCDOC the H and I day is on Saturdays at 11 until 12 please let the women in the fellowship know this is a once a month commitment .

### Workshops/Conferences

- The Regional HIPR Subcommittee partnered with the Iowa Region in putting on a virtual H and I workshop for the Multi-Zonal Service Symposium V in Detroit. Where we presented a live virtual H and I meeting. Our region had a lot of success with virtual H and I. Even still today we have virtual H and I meetings weekly in our Area. .
- Our last workshop of the year was held at the CSO . Where experienced H and I members shared ideas for a fun learning day to encourage members back into or for the first time in service in their perspective Area's.
- We also attended and participated in World Service Reaching Out magazine review. For upcoming issues. They always looking for short stories of our incarcerated members present or pass to submit to the magazine if interested please reach out to us at  
Chicagoland Region Public Relations.
- Our volunteers attended the annual mandatory training for CCDOC and all have renewed badges. We are putting together a Spanish H and I speaking class and or translator. CCDOC is also asking us to expand our H and I commitment to more days a week. Looking for putting a workstop together to help members understand what this intel and help fill out their applications.
- “In The Spirit Of Recovery” 12 Steps, 12 Traditions & 12 Concepts Monthly Workshop, will now be held every 2nd Thursday of the month. Where we will have speakers speak for 20 minutes on that respective month (ie) October 10 step, 10 tradition, 10 concept. And held on the virtual platform 7:00-8:30 pm Zoom ID: 823 2747 6734

**H&I PR Sub Committee** Our Meeting Is held virtually every other month on the 3rd SUNDAY 2-4 pm.  
ZOOM ID: 834 4335 8884 <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83443358884>

**Areas We Need to Visit This month:**FOX VALLEY,JOLIET, SMALL MIRACLES

### *PR- Agenda 2023*

*To continue to grow our fellowship we are now seeing younger members and OLD TIMERS get excited about service again. We are also getting committees together to follow up with our incarcerated members not being able to have H and I meetings, meeting with the Governors and Mayors office to follow up with how we can offer help. Because at the end of the day “Our ends are always the same, Jails, Institutions & Death!” And to offer our message of Hope and promise of Freedom.*

In loving service, Regina H. H&I PR Chair-Chicagoland Region