



GSR Report BTG Announcement

(For GSR to make announcement at home group and request for volunteers)

Dear GSR, Please help your District and Area 09 in the effort of getting Bridging the Gap Volunteers. There is a short announcement below that you can make at your home group. **As we know, announcements usually are not enough.** We kindly ask for your help by speaking with individual members of your group and in your community asking if they can be of service with this vital 12th step work.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Our District #___ and Area 9 have a thriving Bridging the Gap program. The Bridging the Gap program and committee was put together to help newcomers getting out of treatment facilities transition into AA in their home community. As we all know, one of the most slipperiest times for a newcomer getting out of treatment is the moment they step out the door. You can help in this vital 12th step work by being a Bridging the Gap Temporary Contact volunteer to take the hand of the newcomer to a variety of meetings and introduce them to AA right here in our district. I have some Volunteer forms and will leave some on Literature table. You can also visit the Area Bridging the Gap website at www.area9btg.org

Other ways to get volunteers from your homegroup:

At 'the meeting before the meeting' and 'the meeting after the meeting', speak to as many individual members about the Bridging the Gap program that you can. Be enthusiastic about how we can be doing real 12 step work by carrying the message to the newcomer getting out of treatment! Ask for their help. Show them the volunteer form (trifold) or the www.area9btg.org website. Explain it is a short term commitment and to not expect too many calls, but if they are called it could save a life. Have them fill out the form in front of you and give it back to your Bridging the Gap Chairperson at your monthly district meeting. You can also transfer the written form information directly to the online form on the website.



Volunteers Are Needed!

Please sign up below if you are willing to give your time to those reaching out. Be a Temporary Contact for a patient getting out of treatment who is returning home to your community. Take to several local AA group meetings and introduce them to members of the fellowship and help them Bridge the Gap into Alcoholics Anonymous.

Bridging the Gap volunteers should always work in pairs. At least one of the pair should have a year's sobriety, have a sponsor, and be working the 12 Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Please write legibly

Name/Last In.	Home Zip	Age	Gender	Phone	Email

GSR's Please return this form to your District Treatment Chair or DCM