

DCM Visitation Kit

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To assist the DCM visits to the Home Groups in their neighborhoods some Districts use GSO and MSCA Pamphlets and a "Contribution Information" (see pouch contents list below) to create a DCM Visitation Kit. Kits are left with the Group Secretary or members as a service to the group to assist them to become acquainted with AA Traditions, their District and AA as a Whole

DCM Visitation can include these publications from the GSO Catalog:

- FV-19 Yellow Literature Envelope/Pouch - The yellow pouch FV-19 (no charge) comes with some pamphlets and others have been added:

Kept:

- F-3 "Self Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix"
- F-96 "Memo to the Group Treasurer"
- F-85 "Group Service No." Card

Added:

- P-16 "The AA Group"
- P-43 "The Twelve Traditions Illustrated"
- F-6 "Your General Service Office"
- P-19 "G.S.R."
- ----- "Contribution Worksheet Flyer"
- ----- "MSCA 09 "What's It All About"

The last item on the list is the **Contribution Information**, a more detailed supplement to the F-85 "Group Service No. Card" (comes with the yellow pouch). The Contribution Information lists the services that include GSO, MSCA, Districts, Central Offices / Intergroup and Hospitals and Institutions' mailing addresses to send contributions (see example of Contribution Information: <http://www.msca09aa.org/documents/Dist4Contrib.pdf>). In the Contribution Information we encourage groups to use their GSO General Service Number on all their contribution checks to all services. We also give the addresses, time and day of the month that the service entities have their business meetings that they may participate. We have received feedback from all the services listed before using the flyer, and have had good feedback after they have been in use. This Contribution Information is an idea borrowed from another DCM's suggestion.

The **AA Group Pamphlet** describes how AA has traditionally found the AA Group to carry the message and function successfully, and is one of five pamphlets in our DCM Visit Information Pouch. The General Service Conference is constantly looking for the fellowship's feedback on what is liked and suggestions for changes. The DCM can encourage the visited group to bring shared comments and good ideas through their GSR to the District Meeting or the Area Event of the month, or just show up and share their group's feedback by sending their "good ideas" to the delegate.

Many times in service it isn't the goal but the process in reaching out to a goal that is so beneficial for those involved, both on the sending and receiving end. This is an opportunity to take full advantage of using the AA Group pamphlet to get the group involved: asking the group's opinion on how they feel about themselves as a group. It may not always illicit tangible suggestions, it can be a start to get the wheels of willingness in motion. Asking the group members about their opinion on the AA Group pamphlet may well be the first time a member has been asked their opinion about something that other members have been more vocal about.