

# AAWS(AA WORLD SERVICES) - NEW GROUP SERVICE NUMBERS -

This is for contributions to the General Service Office(GSO) **only**, not Area 29 (Maryland General Service) or District 9(Carroll County)

# WHAT IS A GROUP SERVICE NUMBER

**All AA Groups that register with Area 29 Maryland General Service receive a unique number for their group. The registration is done by the Area 29 Registrar in the GSO system. The GSO system assigns the Group Service Number.**

**This number identifies the Group when contributions are made, literature is ordered, and when GSR, Alt-GSRs, DCMs and Alt-DCMs register.**

**Why do we have this number? There are 357 groups in the US & Canada with the slogan “Easy Does It” in the group name, the Group Service Number makes them all unique.**

# ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING SYSTEM

- **Modernization of Databases**
  - **Fellowship New Vision(FNV) was where our Group information such as Name, Time, Day, Format, Contact Info, GSR, Alt-GSR, etc was stored.**
  - **There were 14 separate databases in the old systems that did not communicate with each other. They are now combined into one central system.**
  - **New Group Numbers have been issued in the new system, the old(Legacy) numbers will remain active for the foreseeable future and can still be used for mailed in contributions.**
  - **The new numbers must be used for online contributions and as we will see all you really need is your group name, city and state.**
  - **So how does this affect us?????**

# **NEW GROUP SERVICE NUMBERS**

- **For mailed in contributions you can still use your old number, it is advisable to also list your new group service number.**
- **At some point not yet defined the Legacy group numbers will be retired, it will be no time soon.**
- **If you use only the new Group Service number for mailings that is OK.**
- **New groups are issued ONLY new Group Service Numbers. Like the old system they are generated 30 days after they are submitted to the GSO by the Area Registrar.**

# THE BIGGEST CHANGE: ONLINE CONTRIBUTIONS

Go to [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org) and click “Make a Contribution”

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# LOGIN/CREATE NEW ACCOUNT

First time into new system you must create a new account even if you had an existing one. This includes individual, group & recurring contributions. Click “New User?”

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English (U.S.) ▼

## Welcome to Alcoholics Anonymous Member Contributions

The A.A. groups themselves ought to be fully supported by the voluntary contributions of their own members.

We think that each group should soon achieve this ideal; that any public solicitation of funds using the name of Alcoholics Anonymous is highly dangerous, whether by groups, clubs, hospitals, or other outside agencies; that acceptance of large gifts from any source, or of contributions carrying any obligation whatever, is unwise.

—from the Long Form of Tradition Seven

### Get Started



#### Returning User?

Click here to Log In



#### New User?

Click here to Sign Up (A.A.  
Members Only)

In keeping with A.A.'s Seventh Tradition of self-support, we accept contributions only from A.A. members.

**Enter you Name, Email, Country and a valid Password.  
Check the box at bottom and click "Submit"**

## Sign Up Form

Create a confidential user profile

First Name

John

Last Name

Doe

Email

john@doe.com

Country

United States ▼

Password

••••••••

Password Confirm

••••••••

The password does not meet minimum requirements. It should have at least 1 uppercase letter and 1 number.



I acknowledge that I am an A.A. member

Submit

[Click here to Log In](#)

Once your account is created (see previous 2 slides) click “Log In” and enter your Email and Password

## Existing User Login

Login to your AA account

Email

john@barleycorn.com

Password

••••••••

Log In

[Forgot Password?](#)

[Click here to Sign Up \(A.A. Members Only\)](#)



# Upon Login you will see your information entered during the account creation. Click Next

Welcome back, John Barleycorn

1 **Your Information** — 2 Contribution Amount — 3 Additional Information — 4 Payment Information — 5 Confirm & Submit

**Basic Details**

First Name  
John

Last Name  
Barleycorn

Email  
john@barleycorn.com

**Address Details**

475 Riverside Drive at West 120th St. - 11th Floor

Address 2

City  
New York


State  
NY

Country  
United States

Zip Code  
10115

[Next](#)


# Enter Amount and Frequency. (Inset shows where you enter an Amount not listed), click Next

 Your Information — **2** **Contribution Amount** — **3** Additional Information — **4** Payment Information — **5** Confirm & Submit

Amount

\$50  \$100  \$150  \$200  \$250  Other

Frequency

One Time   Recurring 

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Amount

\$50  \$100  \$150  \$200  \$250  Other

\$ Other Amount  

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# Select the Contribution Type(Tribute) and enter a Description. Click the magnifying glass icon next to the second line

 Your Information —  Contribution Amount — **3** **Additional Information** — **4** Payment Information — **5** Confirm & Submit

Please select a Tribute or occasion

Meeting



Tribute Description

Group contribution

If you wish, you can select a group to credit your contribution



Please select delivery method for the receipt

Both  Email  Letter  None

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Enter City and State then click Search. If you know your groups registered name you can enter that.

If you wish, you can select a group to credit your contribution

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Group Name (Keyword)

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City State (Abbreviated)

Westminster MD

Search

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Cancel

**In this example a long list of meetings based in Westminster comes up. Scroll down, find your group and click it.**

**If you cannot find your group contact AA Group Services:  
[groupservices@aa.org](mailto:groupservices@aa.org)**

If you wish, you can select a group to credit your contribution

000239700: Westminster Monday Night Men's Group  
Westminster,MD

000005700: Klees Mill Thursday Nite Group  
Westminster,MD

000011067: 818 Mens Group  
Westminster,MD

000011666: Trudging The Road Group  
Westminster,MD

000017228: New Order Step Group  
Westminster,MD

000018071: Upon Awakening Group  
Westminster,MD

000022529: We Are Not Saints Group  
Westminster,MD



000030143: New Attitude Of Gratitude Group  
Westminster,MD

000031748: Westminster Big Book Group  
Westminster,MD

Cancel



I changed the City to Woodbine, clicked Search and selected my group. At the bottom select the way your would like to receive your receipt.

 Your Information —  Contribution Amount — **3** Additional Information — **4** Payment Information — **5** Confirm & Submit

Please select a Tribute or occasion

Meeting



Tribute Description

Group contribution

If you wish, you can select a group to credit your contribution

000039432: Woodbine Saturday Night Group






Please select delivery method for the receipt

Both  Email  Letter  None

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# Select payment method and enter information. Click Next

 Your Information —  Contribution Amount —  Additional Information — **4** **Payment Information** — **5** Confirm & Submit

Discover  Master Card  VISA  American Express  Contribution ACH

Bank Account Number

000123456


Routing Number

000654321

Bank Account Name

PNC

Account Type

Business 

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# Final screen displaying all information prior to Submitting contribution

Please review the information you've provided before submitting.

Name  
John Barleycorn

Email  
john@barleycorn.com

Address  
475 Riverside Drive at West 120th St. - 11th Floor  
New York, NY 10115

Please select a Tribute or occasion Meeting	Tribute Description Group contribution	If you wish, you can select a group to credit your contribution 000039432: Woodbine Saturday Night Group
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Please select delivery method for the receipt  
Email

Contribution Amount  
One time payment of \$50

Payment Method Contribution ACH	E-Check PNC (Business) *****
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By Clicking "Confirm and Submit" button you authorize the GSB to debit/charge your account.

Confirm and Submit

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Thanks  
screen with  
reference  
number.

\*View History  
will show all  
past  
contributions



Thanks for contributing! Your reference number for this  
transaction is SO002928



[View History](#)

# Email receipt from aa.org

Reply Reply All Forward IM



Tue 8/20/2019 4:39 PM

No Reply (no-reply@aa.org) <system@sent-via.netsuite.com>

**Your contribution has been received**

To John Barleycorn

Date: 8/20/2019

Dear John Barleycorn

This notification message is to let you know that your Contribution to the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous, described below, has been successfully processed.

Amount:	\$50.00
Date:	8/20/2019

A Contribution Acknowledgement will be sent to you within a few days by postal mail if you selected that delivery method when you made your Contribution.

These contributions from you and other A.A. members are a major source of support for the General Service Office, and we want to share just a few examples of what your contribution helps us to do every day for the Fellowship and the still-suffering alcoholic: 14,000 booklets, pamphlets and miscellaneous items are shipped around the world; nearly 5,000 Big Books are distributed in 71 different languages; 40 phone calls from members or others interested in A.A. are answered; and more than 250 emails each day get a quick response. And these are just some of the services your contribution helps to provide. For a fuller list of services provided by G.S.O., please click [here](#).

So, thank you for your contribution to the General Service Board of A.A. We greatly appreciate your support.

**\*Please do not reply to this message.** To request assistance or additional information, contact the Contributions Department at the General Service Office: (212) 870-3400.



# NOTES & QUESTIONS

The system was not tested well at all when implemented and errors during information entry are hit and miss. I had trouble with the “Tribute Description” field for no logical reason. For example “Tradition 7 Contribution” did not work, “Tradition 7 Donation” did. I used dashes in the Account Number field which were invalid, removed the dashes and then it rejected “PNC”. I deleted and reentered the Account number and all was OK. Some of the error and informational messages are in broken English. I’m sure the GSO is hard at work addressing these issue.

A list of old and new Group Service numbers is on the drop table. Please use both on mailed in checks. You can only use the new number online going forward.

If your group or group number is not on the list let me know at [Webchair@d9mdaa.org](mailto:Webchair@d9mdaa.org) and I will look further into it. In addition you can contact AA Group Services at [groupservices@aa.org](mailto:groupservices@aa.org). Jeff W leads this and has been very responsive.

Questions/Comments?