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Dear Delegates,

At the 2008 General Service Conference, the following Advisory Action was adopted:

That the trustees' Finance and Budgetary Committee gather input from the Fellowship on the benefits and liabilities, both spiritual and practical, of fully funding G.S.O. Services to the Fellowship (G.S.O. Functional expenses) by the voluntary contributions of A.A. members and groups and that this information be forwarded to the 2009 Conference Committee on Finance.

The Trustee Finance and Budgetary Committee has approved distribution of the attached background information to help you in organizing informed discussions on the topic of supporting the G.S.O. You may feel free to copy and distribute this material to those who will be participating in the sharing, and to include any other material which you feel would be helpful.

Please make arrangements for someone to prepare a written summary of the significant matters discussed at these sharing sessions, and forward the reports to Don Meurer at the General Service office. Reports received by Friday, January 30, 2009, will be included in the Conference Finance Committee's background material for the 2009 Conference.

Sincerely,



Terrance M. Bedient  
Chair, Trustee Finance and Budgetary Committee