

**Area 17 Proposal Form**

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This is: A Formal Proposal

**Proposal:**

To create a new standing committee - **Cooperation With the Young Community (CYC)** to the **Area 17 Structures & Guidelines Section 3.7 (Standing Committees)**.

Add the following item after **Section 3.7 K. (Website)**:

**L. Cooperation With the Young Community (CYC):** Oversees and coordinates activities related to carrying the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to younger populations and sharing information about the A.A. program with the young community.

If approved, this new standing committee position will take effect beginning with **Panel 77**.

**Fiscal Implications:**

There are no immediate fiscal implications to the current year's budget. Beginning in 2027, the Cooperation with the Young Community Standing Committee will have a designated budget with line items consistent with other Area Standing Committees and will be included in the annual Area budget.

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### **Background information:**

Alcoholics Anonymous exists to carry the message of recovery to the alcoholic who still suffers. Alcoholism affects people of all ages, yet many young people who struggle with alcohol may not be aware that Alcoholics Anonymous is available to them as a resource for recovery.

Younger alcoholics encounter A.A. later simply because information has not reached them. The purpose of a **Cooperation with the Young Community (CYC)** committee would be to help bridge the gap between Alcoholics Anonymous and younger populations by ensuring that accurate information about A.A. is available to this community.

Area 17 currently maintains several cooperation-focused committees, including Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) and Cooperation with the Elder Community (CEC), which help carry the A.A. message to specific populations. Establishing a **Cooperation with the Young Community** committee would extend this same effort by focusing on younger members of the community who do not yet know that A.A. is available to them.

This committee would support A.A.'s primary purpose by helping ensure that all generations of alcoholics have greater awareness of the recovery available through Alcoholics Anonymous.