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In Alcoholics Anonymous Treatment and Corrections service, Bridging the Gap programs connect alcoholics leaving Treatment or Correctional facilities with Alcoholics Anonymous in their home communities by providing them with temporary contacts.

Bridging the Gap Workshop Weekend events are full weekends focused on sharing our experiences, Bridging the Gap, and developing new ideas that enhance our Service to those requesting temporary contacts.

BTGWW Annual Workshops, Newsletters, and Digital Resource Library are tools that help us learn from each other.

Registration fees ensure BTGWW events remain self-supporting.

This Newsletter is confidential and is for use by members of Alcoholics Anonymous.

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# A NOTE FROM THE BTGWW COORDINATOR

Greetings to everyone. Rob O here, your 2025 BTGWW Chair. I hope all is going fantabulous in your individual lives, through your continued revelations in the fellowship, and our collective bridging experiences as we continue to work this all-important opportunity of 12th step work in Alcoholics Anonymous via Bridging the Gap. September is fast approaching as we are getting, making, and checking off the to-dos for our next gathering in Area 5 at the Sheraton Ontario Airport Hotel in the greater Los Angeles area. So set your reminders now if you haven't already. History has shown us that each year this event is put on, we meet new and passionate members sharing the ever-evolving tools and how they are used in the bridging process. This year looks to be carrying the same enthusiasm with panels, speakers, food, and everything that gives the opportunity to fellowship. One last mention..... pre-register, reserve your room at the hotel, get in the car, on the plane, bus, or whatever mode of transportation you desire and we will see you in Sunny California.

In love and Service Rob O. 2025/2026 BTGWW Coordinator

# A NOTE FROM THE BTGWW ALT-COORDINATOR

How's it going there - eh? I am beyond grateful to have the opportunity to bring my Canadian flavour to the BTGWW planning committee. I started getting involved with my local corrections committee when I was newly sober and my passion & drive for helping those who are often over-looked has been unwavering ever since. The connections I have made at these conferences continue inspire me to strive to do better and to continue to be an instrument of change. I am excited to see many familiar faces and to make new connections this year in LA! Please don't wait to sign up for the event, we can't wait to see you all!

Yours in Service, Amanda S. 2025/2026 BTGWW Alt-Coordinator

#### A NOTE FROM GSO

My name is Eileen, and I am the staff member currently on the Regional Forums assignment. I am so looking forward to being with you all at the BTG weekend. I am working with Nick the current staff member on Corrections so that I can provide you all with the most up to date information. Corrections was the first assignment I was on from 2022-2023 and I was spiritually rearranged forever working with all the AA members in and outside the walls. I also enjoyed working on connecting people in the Corrections Correspondence Service (CCS) and helping with Prerelease Contacts. Reading the letters and creating the Sharing from Behind the Walls Newsletter was a highlight. I have a poem written by a member in custody that I still share with others, and I look forward to sharing it with you all soon.

In fellowship,
Eileen A
General Service Office of Alcoholics Anonymous

# A NOTE FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Please join us at the international convention in Vancouver for the Bridging the Gap workshop session! It will be held on Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm in the west building [Room 22-224]. There will be 3 panelists and Cheri J will be chairing the session. We hope to see you all there!

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# September 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> 2025

Hosted by Area 5

The Greater Los Angeles Area

# **Sheraton Ontario Airport Hotel**

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The Annual Bridging the Gap Workshop Weekend consists of presentations, discussions, shared experiences and breakout sessions.

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