

Maine Area
Final 2024 Budget
with Comparisons to 12/31/22 and 09/30/23

		at 12/31/2022		at 9/30/2023		2024 Budget
INCOME		BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	ACTUAL
1	AWSC DONATIONS	\$ 150.00	\$ 72.26	\$ 150.00		\$ 150.00
2	PAYPAL	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,000.62	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 600.00
3	IN KIND DONATIONS		\$ 149.06		\$ 600.00	
4	MEMBER DONATION	\$ 850.00	\$ 456.00	\$ 1,025.00		\$ 1,000.00
5	GROUP AND DISTRICT	\$11,730.00	\$ 3,343.66	\$11,500.00	\$ 4,364.12	\$ 11,670.00
6	ASSEMBLY REG/DONATIONS	\$ 600.00	\$ 488.06	\$ 800.00	\$ 433.00	\$ 800.00
7	REFUNDS/OUTSTANDING LOAN		\$ 404.00		\$ -	
8	AFG CONVENTION		\$ 2,000.00			
9	TOTAL INCOME	\$14,580.00	\$ 7,913.66	\$14,475.00	\$ 5,727.12	\$ 14,220.00
EXPENSES		BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	ACTUAL
10	AREA AAPP	\$ 75.00	\$ 58.26	\$ 75.00		\$ 75.00
11	AREA DELEGATE	\$ 1,175.00	\$ 318.31	\$ 1,175.00	\$ -	\$ 750.00
12	AREA ALT. DELEGATE	\$ 400.00		\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00
13	AREA CHAIR	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00
14	AREA SECRETARY	\$ 550.00	\$ 38.95	\$ 450.00	\$ -	\$ 450.00
15	AREA TREASURER	\$ 525.00	\$ 243.85	\$ 475.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00
16	ALATEEN COORD	\$ 400.00	\$ 151.72	\$ 400.00	\$ 70.97	\$ 400.00
17	ARCHIVES COORD*	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00
18	INSTITUTIONS COORD	\$ 400.00		\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00
19	LITERATURE COORD	\$ 400.00		\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00
20	PUBLIC OUTREACH COORD	\$ 400.00		\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00
21	ROUND-UP COORD	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00
22	AIS	\$ 450.00	\$ 221.45	\$ 450.00	\$ 104.00	\$ 450.00
23	AIS - PHONE	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 985.80	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 885.40	\$ 1,300.00
24	GROUP RECORDS	\$ 525.00	\$ -	\$ 475.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00
25	MEMBERSHIP OUTREACH*	\$ 525.00		\$ 475.00	\$ -	\$ 475.00
26	TECHNOLOGY(website/Zoom)	\$ 780.00	\$ 422.89	\$ 750.00	\$ 208.23	\$ 750.00
27	PAST DELEGATE/ASSEMBLIES					\$ 500.00
28	Task Force Mailing	\$	\$ 370.66			
29	BANK/ PAYPAL CHARGES	\$ 25.00	\$ 51.39	\$ 50.00	\$ 187.97	\$ 220.00
30	ONE DAY ASSEMBLY	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00
31	OUR FAIR SHARE (equalized exp)	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00
32	Room Rental	\$ 750.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00
33	ACTION GROUPS	\$ 800.00		\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 800.00
34	ROUND-UP EVENT COSTS	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,569.08	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,261.00	\$ 1,000.00
35	Incorporation expense		\$ 45.00	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00
36	WSO ANNUAL DONATION	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
37	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$14,580.00	\$ 7,077.36	\$14,475.00	\$ 3,417.57	\$ 14,220.00
38	Excess(Deficit) Income/Expense	\$ -	\$ 836.30		\$ 2,309.55	
39	Operating Cash Beginning of Year		\$ 6,215.66		\$ 7,051.96	
40	Operating Cash as of Report Date		\$ 7,051.96		\$ 9,361.51	
41	Ample Reserve		\$ 5,250.00		\$ 5,250.00	
42	Total Cash On Hand as of Report Date		\$ 12,301.96		\$ 14,611.51	

Notes to Accompany Maine Area Final 2024 Budget

This document shows actual numbers for all of 2022 and actual numbers as of 9/30/2023 so we can get an idea of how this budget runs through the year.

Most of the expenses happen in the fall, like costs for the Fall Assembly and Our Fair Share.

We always budget as if every position is filled by someone who is not also covered by another service arm's budget, like a group or a district. For example, if a District Representative is also the Literature Coordinator, the cost of attending Assemblies and other Area meetings would be funded by the District and not the Area.

Line 3 – In Kind Donations are when a service member incurs regular expenses in doing his or her service position but donates a portion back to the Area and receives a smaller reimbursement from the Area than he or she is entitled to. In this particular case, the Roundup Committee made arrangements to participate in the Roundup for much less than would be the case if they had stayed at the venue and use the meal packages.

Line 10 - The Area AAPP (Area Alateen Process Person) is also the Alternate Delegate, so line 10 is just for mailings or printings or other costs and not for attendance at Area meetings.

Line 11 - The Area Delegate line is lower the second and third year of the term when the Area only pays for the Current Delegate to attend NERD (Northeast Regional Delegates' Meeting). The first year of his/her term, the Area pays for the Outgoing Delegate to also attend NERD.

Line 15 – The Area Treasurer budget always included the PO Box rental for the Area. For 2024, the rental will be moved to Line 29, Bank/Paypal Charges/PO Box.

Line 21 – This line is for the Roundup Coordinator to attend assemblies and other Area meetings, and not to be confused with Line 34 which is intended for when the Coordinator and the Roundup Committee attend the Roundup event in July.

Line 26 – This line covers a zoom subscription, hosting for the website and subcontractor help when the website needs changes. The website is well designed and many changes to content can be handled by members without seeking outside help.

Line 27 – The Area has been discussing for several years whether to fund Past Delegates who do not hold a service position to attend Assemblies. The voting members of the Fall Assembly (the Group Representatives) discussed this possibility and decided to fund this line at \$500.

Line 30 – The Maine Area policy indicated that the Spring Assembly, which is a one day assembly, be held in the Bangor Area. It was felt years ago that those coming from Southern Maine (York, Kittery, etc.) were at a disadvantage because the drive is 2 ¾ hours and too much to do in one day and an unfair financial burden on those groups having to fund their trusted servant to attend the Spring Assembly. The Area voted to fund this line to cover the cost of those affected to stay overnight in advance of the assembly.

Line 31 – Every Area sends its Delegate to the World Service Conference every year. It is held in Virginia Beach every two years and in New York every third year. It costs very little for the Delegate who lives in Virginia or New York to travel to the Conference and much more for the

Hawaiian Delegate or the Canadian Delegates to travel, for example. The Board of Trustees spreads the costs for every Delegate to attend evenly over the 67 Areas and then subsidizes a portion of it to lower the cost further. This is considered "Our Fair Share" or Equalized Expense. The World Service Office lets every Area know what the Equalized Expense is, as well as what the Full Expense is and that payment is due in December for the following year. This year the Equalized Expense for 2024 is \$1,769.00 and the full expense is \$2,528.00. The Maine Area has felt it could afford to send a little more so it is budgeted at \$2,000.00.

Line 32 – The Room Rental line is for AWSC meetings and one day assemblies.

Line 33 – The Area has created four 'Action Groups' each of which discusses at Assemblies possible projects related to Membership Outreach, Alateen, Public Outreach and Literature and this line will fund these proposed projects.

Line 34 – The Roundup is an AA convention with Al-Anon participation held in the summer in Maine, usually at Sugarloaf. The Area's Roundup Committee attends and chairs workshops, welcomes newcomers and offers literature for sale and to give away. It involves staying overnight as it is a weekend event.

Line 35 – The Maine Area incorporated in 2022 to protect members from financial exposure on behalf of the Area. There is an annual filing fee of \$35.

Line 36 – Every year the Area decides whether to make a contribution to the World Service Office. This can also be changed by a vote of the Assembly.

Line 39 – The Area carries around \$7,000 in cash over and above the Ample Reserve. This could be used at some point for special projects that might involve technology or Public Outreach, upon vote of the Assembly.

Line 41 – This Ample Reserve amount was set by the Assembly in 2022 after careful consideration and could be adjusted by a vote of the Assembly after further careful discussion. The Finance Committee is not recommending a change.

If you have any questions as you are explaining this to the members, please contact me at Treasurer@maineafg.org. I will try to answer you promptly!