

# THE BOARD OF DEBTORS ANONYMOUS NEEDS YOUR INPUT: HELP US DEVELOP AN *IDEAL SPENDING PLAN* FOR D.A.

The GSB Finance Committee is in the process of developing an Ideal Spending Plan for Debtors Anonymous. As we know from preparing our own personal or business spending plans, we often begin by creating an "ideal" spending plan, which includes everything we think would address all of our needs and wants, in a perfect world, regardless of costs. Eventually, in solvency, we develop a "realistic" spending plan, based on our current expenses and available resources. However, the ideal spending plan often provides a template for identifying what is *really* important to us and can inspire us to work toward assessing our resources and spending based on our ideals or visions.

In creating this Ideal Spending Plan for D.A., we would like to partner with our members to assess the true needs and wants of the Fellowship and to determine the costs associated with fulfilling them. While we would like to fund all of the items on our ideal spending plan "wish list," we need to hear from our members about what you consider most important in order to identify those things which will become priorities in our actual spending plan.

For example, one of our most pressing and urgent needs is to continue translation of D.A. literature for debtors who do not speak English. Other initiatives suggested by members of the Fellowship will be considered and implemented if adequate resources are available.

To this end, we are requesting your input. After prayer and meditation on the primary purpose of Debtors Anonymous, please send us the top three priorities you would include in an ideal spending plan for D.A. Send your suggestions by April 15, 2019, to [idealspendingplan@debtorsanonymous.org](mailto:idealspendingplan@debtorsanonymous.org), and include services and products you would like to see the Board consider to be implemented over the next five years.

We will incorporate the feedback from the Fellowship in the *Ideal Spending Plan, 2020-2024*, in the July issue of the **D.A. FOCUS** and will also discuss it at the World Service Conference in August.

We look forward to hearing from you all.

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Please share this announcement with your meeting.