**NEPA Financial Disclosure 8/12/2025**

In review of the finances at NEPA Intergroup, below is a high-level view of NEPA Intergroup’s obligations, recent expenses, contributions and exposure. Given the gravity of the situation and the need to use the prudent reserve funds to cover operating expenses, I felt it was necessary to report the situation for review by the IGR forum. Below will include a detail of monthly costs to “keep the lights on” as well as fully functional committee estimates, debts, recent expenditures and a financial get-well plan. Keep in mind these are estimates based on the actual numbers provided in our reports and committee budgets.

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| **Obligation** | **Monthly Amt** | **Yearly Amt** | **Comments** |
| **Keep the Lights On Expenses** |
| Rent – Office | $825.00 | $9,900.00 |  |
| Rent – Forum | $125.00 | $1,500.00 |  |
| Internet & Phone | $300.00 | $3,600.00 |  |
| Square | $94.35 | $1132.20 | Point of Sale System |
| Gas | $140.00 | $1680 |  |
| Electric | $150.00 | $1800.00 |  |
| Water | $25.00 | $300.00 |  |
| Trash | $65.00 | $780.00 |  |
| Office Supplies | $100.00 | $1,200.00 |  |
| **Totals** | $1,824.35 | $21,892.20 |  |
| **Committee Average Estimated Budgets** |
| Executive Board | $100 | $1,200.00 | Travel Expenses EPGSA\NERASSA |
| Treasurer | $0.00 | $0.00 | Covered in Office Supplies |
| Secretary | $0.00 | $0.00 | Covered in Office Supplies |
| Institutions | $20.00 | $240.00 | Perforated Cards |
| Public Information | $50.00 | $600 | Estimate Pamphlet Cost  |
| Activities | $0.00 | $0.00 | Self-Supporting, Contributes to NEPAIG |
| Central Office | $0.00 | $0.00 | Self-Supporting, Contributes to NEPAIG  |
| Finance  | $0.00 | $0.00 |  |
| Unity | $50.00 | $600 | 50 miles per month $0.50 per mile est. |
| Newsletter | $41.67 | $500.00 | Printing Newsletter |
| Archives | $0.00 | $0.00 |  |
| Corrections | $0.00 | $0.00 | Pink Can – Self Supporting |
| Bridging the GAP | $41.67 | $500.00 | Printing BTG Pamphlets |
| Website | $56.30 | $675.60 | Website Costs |
| * Text Blasts
 | $200.00 | $2400 |  |
| Hotline | $0.00 | $0.00 | Covered under Internet/Phone  |
| **Totals** | $559.64  | $6,715.60  |  |
| **Total Expenses** | $2,383.99 | $28,607.88 |  |

Important Facts and figures

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| **Contribution**  | **Monthly Amt** | **Yearly Amt** | **Comments** |
| 2024 Totals | $1269.03 | $15,228.41 | Group contributions |
| 2024 Sales | $281.08 | $3,373.00 | $17,051.17 gross sales ,$13,420.00 Cost of goods, $258.17 Shipping |
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| 2025 YTD  | $1888.56 | $15,108.45 | Group contributions |
| 2025 Sales |  |  | $6035.33 gross sales QuickBooks, unknown with Square at this time |

Large Unplanned Approved Expenses in 2025

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| **Expense** | **Date** | **Yearly Amt** | **Comments** |
| Square POS | March 2025 | $1474.46 | Replace QuickBooks |
| Laptop  | January 2025 | $900.00 | Estimate |
| QuickBooks Renewal | July 2025 | $1800.94 | Moving to Square |
| Free Meeting Lists | 3 Runs | $2,762.34 | Estimate(Store Item now) |
| EPGSA  | January 2025 | $750.00 | Estimate not reimbursed |
| YPAA | June 2025 | $663.78 |  |

Outstanding Approved Obligations for 2025

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| **Expense** | **Date** | **Yearly Amt** | **Current Balance** |
| 2023/2024 Taxes |  | Unknown |  |
| NEPAIG has not filed taxes in 2025 or 2024 and currently has an extension however unknown for how long. |
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| AA Book Store  | February 2025 | $5000 | $2800 |
| AAWS account is currently frozen and NEPAIG is on a payment plan of $250 per month to pay down balance  |
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| Area Share A Day | October 2025 | $1000 | $1000 |
| NEPAIG Agreed to host Area Share A Day and help cover cost of food. The estimate was $1000 in expenses |

**Get Well Plan**

1. NEPAIG has an average operating budget with fully operational committees of roughly $2400.00 per month. In accordance with our 7th tradition, NEPAIG is requesting the groups contribute more to cover the current deficit($2400.00 - $1888.56) or an increase of contributions of at least $500.00 monthly(60 active groups: is $40 per month per group)
2. NEPAIG Board Approved to pull $4,500.00 from Prudent Reserve leaving the current balance at roughly $4,500.00 to cover the current running costs.
3. NEPAIG will file and pay our past due taxes and current taxes. Ensure there is a process to do this going forward.
4. NEPAIG has stopped all Text Blasting services and is moving to a free alternative to save an average of $260.20 monthly(Mobinity YTD: $2081.66)
5. NEPAIG will have all purchases approved by the board of director and will only be purchasing popular Items in the bookstore until the store becomes self-supporting. This may include sales of various types on dead stock.
6. NEPAIG executive board will continue to review financial obligations, checks and balances, and the internal processes looking for improved reporting and transparency of finances, and cost savings.
7. All bank accounts will be transferred to the Chair and Treasurer and all accounting systems and business client accounts (Square, QuickBooks, Amazon, AAWS, Grapevine, MinuteMan Press, Britestar, and Utility accounts) will be accessible by the Executive Board and Finance Committee Chair for periodic review.
8. NEPAIG will continue to pay down its obligation to AAWS and determine an amount to resupply the Prudent reserve to the appropriate level(6 months of expenses $14,400)
9. NEPAIG will transitions to 1 accounting system(Square)

**Our 7th Tradition**

The Seventh Tradition: The A.A. groups themselves ought to be fully supported by the voluntary contributions of their own members. (taken from original form of Tradition 7)

Why AA literature does not contain the use of the word “Donate” anywhere:

The reason we changed the name of the "Alcoholic Foundation" to the "General Service Office" when we adopted the 7th Tradition is because words like "foundation and donation" can imply a charitable organization.

The 7th Tradition, like all the rest, is a spiritual principle. One of the ways I've been taught to support the 7th Tradition is to never use the "D" word in an A.A. setting.

We don't "donate" to Alcoholics Anonymous. We "Contribute". Groups, Districts, Areas, and even A.A. as a whole, don’t accept "donations" We are fully self supporting through our own "Contributions". The word “donation” implies something given for charity. My sobriety is not a charity. It's something I get to participate in. In the same way I get to contribute to my household bills. I don't donate to the electric company or my mortgage. I DO however "donate" to the Humane Society, Meals on Wheels, or other charitable organizations.

Questions to ask yourself that may help this distinction to make sense. Do you "donate" to your household bills where you live? Or do you contribute? Do you donate to the IRS when you do your taxes? Or are you contributing member of society?

“In the midst of this exciting turn of affairs, the Conference agreed that the Alcoholic Foundation ought to be renamed the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous, and this was done. The word “Foundation” stood for charity, paternalism and maybe big money. A.A. would have none of these; from here out we could assume full responsibility and pay our expenses ourselves.

As I watched all this grow, I became entirely sure that Alcoholics Anonymous was at last safe—even from me.” Bill W. P-44 Legacy of Service