

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

During these trying times we hope that you and your families are all staying safe.

We are pleased that so many of you have found ways to communicate with one another during this pandemic. Unfortunately, due to the lack of "in-person" meetings, Gamblers Anonymous is suffering and we need EVERYONE'S help.

Gamblers Anonymous is in a precarious situation. We are currently taking in about half of the funds that are needed to keep the International Service Office open. At this rate we have about 18 months of funds to keep the doors open. In other words, if we do not get the support we need, Gamblers Anonymous International Service Office could cease to exist in less than 2 years.

Our I.S.O. continuously operates shorthanded with only 3 full time and 1 part time employee. These employees are responsible for the following:

- Keeping the G.A. meetings updated on our website
- Answering all calls
- Responding to emails
- Maintaining the online store
- Inventory, shipping and receiving
- The monthly Bulletin
- Countless other daily tasks

Without the work that they do, we would have no literature, no bulletin, and the list goes on. This is incredibly sad for a program that many say, "G.A. saved our lives!". You can make a difference!!!

Many groups/rooms, Intergroups and members have stepped up with increased donations, to save this fellowship and for that, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Unfortunately, we need help from **EVERYONE**.

The Board of Regents has been hard at work trying to find a solution, in addition to the donations that are currently being received through the mail. The following plea is NOT to replace what our G.A. members, Groups and Intergroups are currently donating, but it is an additional avenue to give members an easier way contribute to Gamblers Anonymous International Service Office. We are incredibly pleased to let you know that the Board has successfully set up a system where you can easily contribute. If you can afford to help, you can donate through either Venmo or Zelle at the following email address gaisodonation@gmail.com

We have never pressed so hard for contributions as we are now. This is out of pure necessity and **every dollar counts**.

We ask that you share this information wherever your meeting, in person, on the phone or otherwise. Official, non-official or somewhere in-between, *please get the word out*.

We wish to thank you for your anticipated support.

Thank you and stay safe.

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