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Intergroups/Service Boards: Apply for WSBC Delegate Support Funds by October 1

WSBC 2023 will be a face-to-face Conference, which means intergroups and service boards will once again incur travel and lodging expenses for their delegates. Thankfully, OA's Delegate Support Fund is here to help!

Registered OA service bodies can apply for funding by filling out the [Delegate Support Fund application](#) and submitting it to their region by October 1 or by the date specified in your region's bylaws. Once your region has reviewed the application (and possibly awarded region funds), then it is up to the service body to send the application to the World Service Office by November 1.

For the group conscience of OA as a whole, it is critical that each World Service Business Conference includes as much representation of our Fellowship as possible. We encourage your service body to register a delegate and take the steps to send them to WSBC, including applying for financial support through the Delegate Support Fund. Thank you for your service!

You can contribute directly to the Delegate Support Fund at oa.org/contribute using the "Designation" menu.

Get the Delegate Support Fund application

World Service Business Conference 2023 Updates

The drumbeat of world service continues as we prepare for WSBC 2023. Here's what's happening in August:

- The WSBC 2022 Final Conference Report will be posted to the [WSBC web page](#) by August 31.
- The WSBC 2023 First Conference e-Documents will be posted to the WSBC web page on August 29 and will include the Conference

notification, trustee application form, tentative schedule, and motion/amendment template.

You can find all important dates leading up to Conference in the [2023 Deadline Dates](#) document.

See more on the WSBC web page

New Event Calendar on OA.org! Find and Submit OA Events



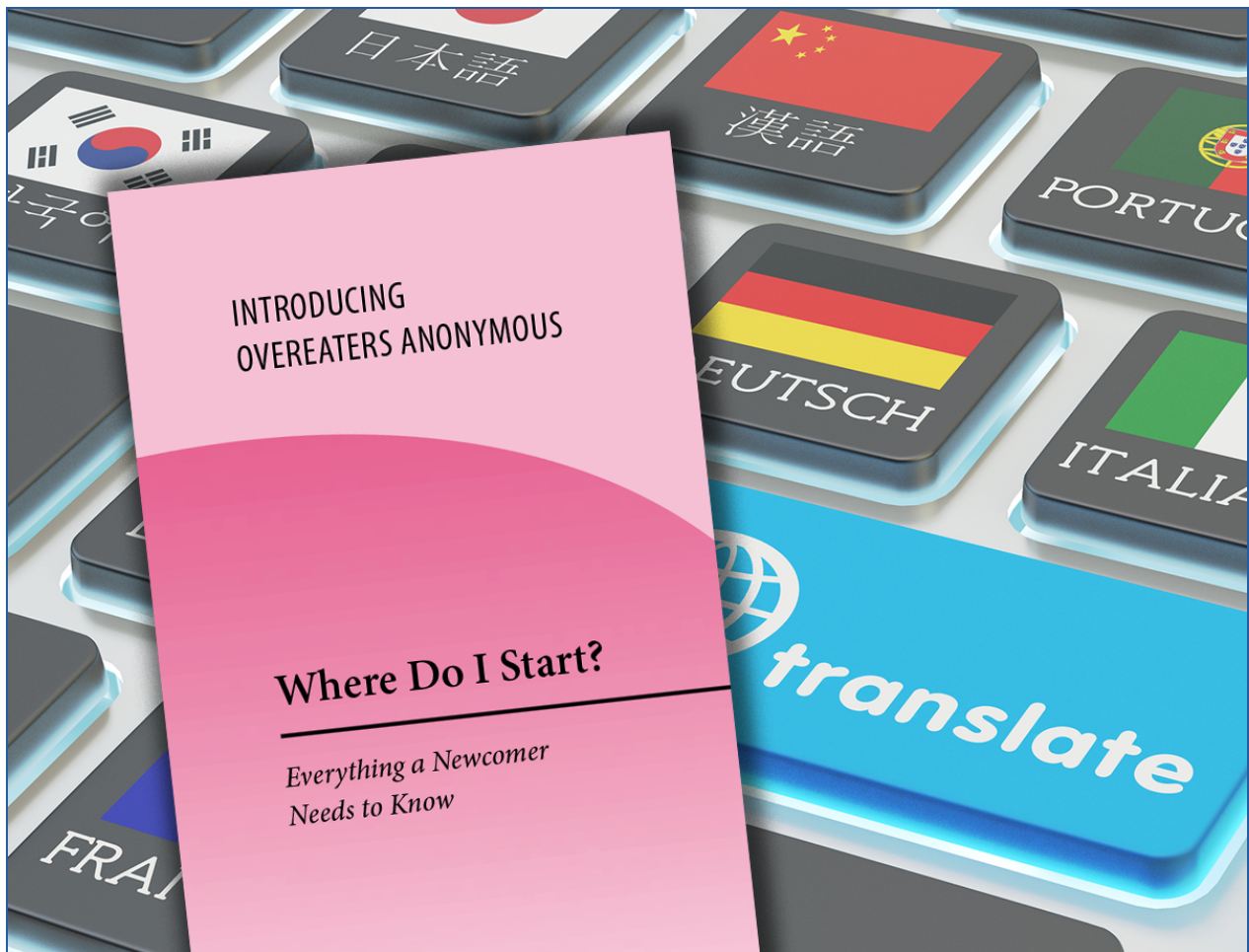
We are very pleased to announce a new [Event Calendar](#) on oa.org! Just in time for Sponsorship Day, it's now easier than ever to find and join OA events all around the world. Check it out!

The next time your registered OA service body or group hosts an event, send us the details using the [Event Calendar Submission form](#). We'll publicize your event for maximum exposure.

Right now, you can find the new Event Calendar in the main navigation menu at oa.org under "News and Events," but we'll be integrating it with the home page in the future. Imagine the benefit to newcomers when they see at a glance all the activity and recovery in our Fellowship—how attractive!

[Go to the NEW Event Calendar](#)

Free Newcomer Pamphlet Now Available in Twenty Languages



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Note: the American English version was revised in 2022, while all other language versions are translated from the original 2018 pamphlet. All language versions are considered OA-approved literature, so you can distribute the pamphlet freely in your language.

You can find all translations in the Document Library under “New to OA” and “Translation.”

[Professionally printed *Where Do I Start?* pamphlets](#) (American English) are available for sale at bookstore.oa.org, and e-book versions remain for sale at these retailers:

- Amazon Kindle ([American English](#) and [Portuguese](#))
- Apple Books ([American English](#))
- Barnes and Noble Nook ([American English](#))

Important Dates and Deadlines

NEW! OA has moved event listings to <https://oa.org/event-calendar/>! Use the submission form at <https://oa.org/event-calendar-submission-form> to send in your event details and get your event posted. It's never been easier to submit or find an event!

Fellowship

August 19–21

Sponsorship Day: a day set aside to acknowledge the importance of sponsoring in our Fellowship. Check our new [Event Calendar](#) or contact your service bodies for local and virtual events.

World Service

August 29

WSBC 2022 Final Conference Report and WSBC 2023 First Conference e-

Documents posted to oa.org.

October 1 (or deadline set in your region bylaws)

Delegate Support Fund [applications](#) due to region boards.

November 1

Delegate Support Fund [applications](#) due to the World Service Office.

April 25-29, 2023

World Service Business Conference 2023 in Albuquerque, New Mexico USA.

Send Your Story of Recovery to the New *Lifeline* Blog!

Lifeline is back! We are now sharing stories of recovery through OA's Twelve Steps at lifeline.oa.org. Together, as we grow *Lifeline*, we will provide experience, strength, and hope to everyone in our Fellowship and become an ever brighter source of light to the still-suffering compulsive eater who is searching online for a solution.

You can help *Lifeline* grow by sending in your story, whether it is written, recorded as an audio file, shot on video, or is an image of your own making. Send us your recovery-focused story, digital painting, song, video, or any other type of digital media, and we will put it in the queue for eventual publication. Read the new [Contributor Guidelines](#) for suggestions and use our [submission form](#), found at oa.org/lifeline, to send us your submission. Thank you for your service!

Go to *Lifeline* at lifeline.oa.org

2022 Annual Appeal Tops US\$7,000

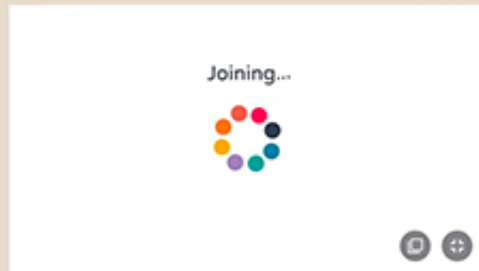
Once again, thank you to our Fellowship for your strong support of OA's Seventh Tradition. OA's 2022 Annual Appeal, a special one-time request for contributions to the OA general fund, now totals US\$7,018.85. This contribution will undoubtedly stretch OA's reach further as we carry the message and bring hope and a solution to compulsive eaters worldwide.

While most Annual Appeal announcements have already been made, you can still contribute through the end of 2022. We encourage you to read the [Annual Appeal announcement](#) and make a contribution if you can. Go to oa.org/contribute and select "Annual Appeal" in the Designation drop-down menu.

Thank you for supporting our Annual Appeal!

Read the Annual Appeal announcement

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Our Responsibility Pledge

Always to extend the hand and heart of OA
to all who share my compulsion;
for this I am responsible.

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