

## Letter to the Inmate

Dear A.A. Member,

Alcoholics Anonymous in this area has two programs available for you depending when you will be released. If you have more than three months time left we offer the Corrections Correspondence program. If you have less than three months we offer the Bridging the Gap program.

**The Corrections Correspondence Program** allows you to write to an A.A. member on the outside and they will in turn write to you. This allows you to have a member of the fellowship to "talk with" while you are still in a correctional facility, to help you with your program of recovery.

I currently have more than three months before being released and I am interested in the A.A. Corrections Correspondence program. I would like to write to an A.A. member on the outside.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Release Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOC Number: \_\_\_\_\_

DOC Facility: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail This Form To: Corrections Facilities Desk, P.O. Box 459 New York, NY 10163

**The Bridging the Gap Program** is offered to help you make the transition to Alcoholics Anonymous outside the facility you are in. This means that you can be matched with an AA member in the community where you will live. This member will accompany you to meetings, introduce you and help you get acquainted among new friends in A.A. During this time you will learn more about sponsors, home groups, working the steps and service. Your BTG volunteer is temporary only; a maximum of six meetings or visits. They will not follow up or try to control you, nor will they provide housing, food, clothing, jobs, money or other such services. Experience has shown that attending an A.A. meeting on the outside as soon as possible, preferably in the first twenty four hours, is one of the most effective tools in making a sober transition to the outside world. Many of us have been where you are, at least in our drinking, and know that the program of A.A. and its Fellowship can do for you what it has done for us. If you wish to participate in Bridging the Gap, please complete the request form and mail it to one of the addresses below. If you do not receive a letter from a volunteer within two weeks, please contact us again so we may follow up on your request. Please keep these addresses for future reference.

District \_\_\_\_\_ BTG or Corrections Coordinator Or: Area 69 Corrections Committee

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P.O. Box 648

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Sandy, Utah 84091-648

*I would like to join Bridging the Gap and be given a Temporary Contact. I understand the importance of making contact with people in the A.A. program and of going to a meeting on the day of my release.*

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Release City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Where Released: \_\_\_\_\_