

## Overview of Bridging the Gap Utah, Area 69

### Responsibilities of the Area

1) Database. Utah, Area 69 will maintain a Bridging the Gap volunteer database archive. The information for this database is supplied by the districts. The communications committee will administer this web site file. Districts are requested to review their information on the web site and submit necessary changes.

2) Program. A uniform Bridging the Gap program and supporting documents will be available from Area 69. Information sharing and BTG documents will be provided by the joint efforts of the corrections and treatment standing chairs and their committees. The area standing chairs will offer support in helping the districts set up and maintain a Bridging the Gap program.

3) Workshop. It is the joint responsibility of the treatment and corrections standing chairs to set the agenda for the annual Area 69 BTG Workshop. The workshop is a one day event hosted by the districts on a rotating basis beginning at 9:00 am. on the third Saturday of June.

### Responsibilities of the Districts

1) Volunteers. The districts are encouraged to find, organize, and prepare enough Bridging the Gap volunteers to meet current needs. Volunteers may be signed up at A.A. meetings and other appropriate A.A. events. It is desirable that they are given BTG information and briefed on the temporary contact program. GSRs and district officers may distribute and collect the volunteer sign-up sheets and cards.

2) Presentation. District committees are asked to contact treatment and corrections facilities within their district and present the Bridging the Gap program to the staff. After gaining permission the program is offered to potential new members. If the district does not have a separate BTG committee, the corrections and treatment volunteers are usually in the best position to present Bridging the Gap to inmates and clients.

3) Volunteer database and Temporary Contact Requests. Each district is requested to organize and maintain volunteer contact information. The districts are responsible to develop methods for receiving the "Bridge" requests from new members and matching them with temporary contacts within the district. Managing these activities is the basic responsibility of a Bridging the Gap Coordinator. If the district does not have a BTG coordinator these assignments may be shared by other officers. Requests for "Bridges" outside of the district can be forwarded to the appropriate district or area chairperson. Out of state requests may be processed through the Bridging the Gap database, [www.btgww.org](http://www.btgww.org).