



## BRIDGING THE GAP

### Announcement

The Minnesota fellowship has adopted a new state-wide project called “Bridging the Gap”. The purpose of Bridging the Gap is to provide a “Bridge” between people reentering their communities from in-patient treatment or incarceration and their first meeting of Narcotics Anonymous.

#### **3 WAYS TO SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER**

- ✓ Go to: <http://naminnesota.org> click on “*Volunteer Opportunities*”
  - On the right side of the screen, follow the instructions to login.
  - On the left side of the screen, click on “*Volunteer Opportunities*” and then “*Be a Temporary Contact*”
  - Complete the form
- ✓ Email your contact information to: [BridgingtheGap@naminnesota.org](mailto:BridgingtheGap@naminnesota.org)
- ✓ Text TEMP CONTACT to 1-612-562-6609

#### **HOW IT WORKS**

When you volunteer, you we ask you to provide your name, telephone number, your email address, the community in which you attend meetings, your clean date, your gender, and your age group. This information is used to match you to the newcomer. It is only viewed by the BTG committee members and is never released to any other NA member or outside organization.

When a request for a temporary contact is received, you will get a phone call to see if you are available to help out. You can always decline and we will ask you again the next time. The newcomer’s contact information will be given to the first available volunteer.

You will arrange to connect with the newcomer at a meeting as soon as possible. At the meeting you will introduce the newcomer to other members of the fellowship, explain about NA literature, provide a meeting list, and encourage the newcomer to join in fellowship after the meeting. You will make additional arrangements to meet at three or four meetings over the next couple of weeks.

This is not a temporary sponsor program. It is simply helping the newcomer feel welcome and connected to the fellowship. That is all there is to it. Help make this program a success and volunteer today.

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