

## NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS WORLD SERVICES, INC

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To Whom It May Concern:

We are writing today regarding your request for proof of non-profit status for an NA group or service committee. You will be interested to know that Narcotics Anonymous World Services, Inc. as the global headquarters for the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous is a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation, through the State of California. And while our entire fellowship aspires to the principle of remaining non-profit, our legal status does not constitute umbrella coverage for the many individual groups or service committees of Narcotics Anonymous. Many of our constituent groups and committees are simply too small, and/or the amount of their financial transactions too insignificant to benefit their application for a non-profit or tax exempt status.

With that said, we can also say that in many municipalities non-profit privileges have been extended to NA groups and service committees as if they had non-profit status, since NA groups and committees embrace the principle of remaining non-profit as they carry out the mission of our fellowship. We would request that you consider extending the privilege of this status to the group or service committee that is presenting this letter to you.

If we can provide further information, please don't hesitate to contact me, or our comptroller, Debbie Hall.

Sincerely,

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