

## November Is Gratitude Month

### Giving Back What Has So Generously Been Given

Every November, members of Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous are invited to acknowledge their gratitude to the Fellowship that has sustained their lives as recovering addicts. As a way of giving thanks, individuals, groups, and Intergroups are encouraged to contribute directly to Fellowship-Wide Services (F.W.S.). This is in keeping with Tradition Seven, which states that "Every S.L.A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions."

To share the impact such generosity makes on the Fellowship as a whole, Fellowship-Wide Services has outlined the services and responsibilities of the F.W.S. Office, supported by your contributions; and, how individuals, groups and Intergroups can contribute this November and throughout the year.

#### Fellowship-Wide Services (F.W.S.)

The F.W.S. Office is the direct link to all S.L.A.A. Intergroups, groups and individual members world-wide. The main responsibility of the F.W.S. Office is to carry the message -- to help the addict who still suffers. Additionally, the F.W.S. Office assists the Board of Trustees in performing its duties and legal requirements.

#### What F.W.S. Provides, What Contributions Support

- Printing, selling, and distribution of Conference-Approved literature (Examples are the S.L.A.A. Basic Text, pamphlets, medallions, and Starter Kits for groups and Intergroups.)
- Assistance with starting new meetings and Intergroups world-wide
- Coordination of Annual Business Conference/Meeting (ABC/M)
- Support to Conference Committees which facilitate overall growth of the fellowship, including literature translation, creation of new literature, outreach to institutions and prisons, website development and maintenance, and communications with Intergroups and members-at-large
- Bookkeeping and maintenance of legal documents

#### Ways to Give

- Groups are encouraged to pass an additional basket every week during the month of November that goes directly to F.W.S.
- Individuals can set up recurring contributions (i.e. monthly) to be automatically deducted from one's debit or credit card at [www.slaafws.org](http://www.slaafws.org).
- Individuals, groups and Intergroups can make a one-time contribution online at [www.slaafws.org](http://www.slaafws.org).
- Individuals, groups and Intergroups can make a one-time contribution by check.
  - Please make check payable to **Fellowship-Wide Services** and write *Gratitude Month* in memo
  - Send check to F.W.S., 1550 NE Loop, 410 Suite 118, San Antonio, TX 78209

*Special Note:* Individuals who make direct contributions to F.W.S. may be able to claim their gift as tax-deductible as S.L.A.A. is a separate 501c3 organization, depending on their circumstances.

**Thank You** - This gesture of gratitude speaks to our spiritual responsibility and the principle of participation contained in the 12 Traditions of S.L.A.A.