



## Northern California Hospital & Institution Committee



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Dear

Through the generosity of the NorCal Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous and a more cost effective literature delivery system, in recent years the Hospital and Institution Committee of Northern California has accumulated surplus funds in excess of our Prudent reserve plus reasonable operating expenses.

As a result of this blessing, we've asked for group consciences from those groups which have contributed to us through our Pink Can collections, and by a second vote of almost 90% support, the Fellowship has approved a Seventh Tradition distribution of a portion of our surplus funds. We therefore humbly offer the included check in gratitude for your ongoing assistance in our efforts to carry the message of A.A. to the alcoholic who is confined, and as part of our collective obligation to support the services which support us.

We divided up the \$30,000 allocated to Northern CA Central Offices/Intergroups based on the number of H&I meetings conducted in the H&I designated Area and worked with the Area Chairs to ensure to the best of our ability that we were sending the money to the service entity which supports those meetings.

We gratefully thank you for listing our meetings, directing inquiries to us, posting a link to our website at [www.handinorcal.org](http://www.handinorcal.org) and for generally supporting the particular type of Twelfth Step work we do. We hope the groups don't think of the surplus as a reason to stop passing the Pink Cans, but rather as a way to ensure that confined alcoholics get the literature they so desperately need with the knowledge that any excess funds will be used to help our other service entities, without whom we could not exist and who may also be in need of support.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our General Chair – either through our website or directly at [fivestarkha@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fivestarkha@sbcglobal.net). Wishing you all the best in gratitude for our sobriety and for the Traditions which guide our service committees.

Yours in service,  
The Hospital and Institution Committee of Northern California