



Area 59

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA
GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY

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Treasurer Annual Report
E.P.G.S.A. Area 59 Panel 73
Year 2 – 2024

The Area Treasurer records and acknowledges group contributions; maintains the area's bank accounts; pays all of the bills incurred by the area committee; submits "group contributions" lists to each DCM, and financial statements quarterly/annually to the area committee.

Treasurer Activities Highlights

- Contributions – Gratitude for the 7th Tradition:

Area 59 is extremely grateful for the continued support by groups and members! As of 10/31/2024, we have received over 1200 contributions, of which about 20% were online. While processing contributions is probably the most demanding part of the job, I am tremendously humbled by every individual that is part of the 12th step work that becomes possible as a result of those contributions. The notes of gratitude received within the envelopes often make my day! Your contributions not only support the services provided by the Area, they also allow the Area Officers and Special Servants to carry out the duties of the positions to which we have been entrusted.

- Operations – Ensuring the overall financial welfare of Area 59:

Automatic payments help in allowing the business of Area 59 to run smoothly. Our liability insurance is renewed until June 2025 and Storage is paid through the end of 2024. Sales tax is reported semi-annually and is due in July and January. Both the sales tax license and non-profit exemption status were renewed. Literature orders have been placed for subcommittees and Grapevine/La Vina orders for Area events throughout the year. Another responsibility that requires a great investment of time is the reimbursement to Officers, Special Servants, and Subcommittees. This year the Area made the switch to Quickbooks Online. Navigating the switch has been difficult at times, but is coming together (finally!).

- Reporting – Transparency and keeping the Area informed:

Each quarter every DCM receives a detailed P&L report, highlighting the income and expenses the Area has incurred. The detailed report allows for greater transparency in spending. Each DCM is also given a report of contributions to Area by the groups in their District. Some District prefer to have a monthly P&L statement, and that is completely possible! If your District would like to receive more frequent P&L reports or contributions, please reach out!

- Service – Assisting the Area, its subcommittees, and members:

In addition to advising two subcommittees, Finance and Grapevine/La Vina, I worked closely with the Finance subcommittee to create the FY2024 budget as well as setting up Square for the Grapevine/La Vina sales for the subcommittee. A contract was created for the Area for venues that may not have their own, ensuring the Area will always have a meeting space! This year it was also my honor to coordinate Area Day with our Subcommittees and help wrangle volunteers for EPGSA with our secretary, Dan.

Being able to serve as Treasurer has afforded me many opportunities to be of service, to travel and attend various meetings, workshops, and conferences, and to answer questions that the fellowship has; this is both a great pleasure and a most rewarding experience. If I can assist in any way, please do not hesitate to reach out: treasurer@area59aa.org

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity, privilege, and responsibility to serve as your EPGSA Panel 73 Treasurer!

Tara C., Treasurer