ONTARIO SOUTH ASSEMBLY (AREA 86) AL-ANON/ALATEEN FAMILY GROUPS

SECTION 9: LITERATURE DISTRIBUTION CENTRE (LDC) A: GENERAL

1. History:

In the early 1970's a member of Al-Anon in Ontario South, Willie Hill, operated a literature depot from her home. The purpose for the office was to have Conference Approved Literature readily available for Ontario South groups. When she became Delegate of the OSA, she suggested that the OSA open a Literature office. As a result of a unanimous decision at the 1976 Area Assembly, the office opened in November 1976. It was known as Al-Anon Central Office.

In 1992, with a charter the Area Literature Office was established as a unit of the Ontario South Assembly to distribute Conference Approved Literature within Ontario South in accordance of the Traditions and concepts of the AFG.

In 2005 through a revision of the charter the Area Literature Office was renamed Literature Distribution Centre to be consistent with World Service Office

2. **Operations:**

A paid Manager who is an active member of Al-Anon will operate the specifics of the LDC. The Literature Office Committee will offer general direction to the Manager. When major changes to operations are necessary, the LOC through it's Chairperson, will present those changes to AWSC and Assembly for approval by the OSA.

3. Profits/Shortfalls:

Monies accrued by LDC, in excess of an ample reserve, will be transferred to the area. The area will be responsible for shortfalls of the LDC as well.

4.	Current Address:	Ontario South LDC Office 127 Ford Road, Smith Falls, ON K7A 4S4
5.	Contact Information:	Tel: 613-283-1249 E-Mail: os.literature.distribution@gmail.com

6. Purpose of the LDC:

"The LDC operates as a service arm of Ontario South similar to Alateen, Open Lines, Public Outreach and Trillium. As Ontario South is not a business neither is the LDC. Often this concept gets lost as members try to have the service features operate in the business world. At the LDC, as with all service fields of Al-Anon, we emphasize and work with the Traditions and Concepts of Al-Anon. At the LDC, because of the volume of work involved it has one employee and volunteers to distribute Conference Approved Literature to members within Ontario South"