

## **GSR Report for South Coast Unity Group, November 16 2025**

The District 8 meeting November 9th began with a discussion of Concept XI, which is about the importance of having capable people in service roles.

### **District Finances:**

First, I want to touch on the district's financial situation. According to their October 2025 treasurer's report, the district has an ending balance of **\$6,686.37**. Their income for the month was \$360.00, and their expenses were \$360.20. It's important for us to know that the district is financially very healthy and has a substantial prudent reserve. Election updates:

- **New Treasurer:** Dave A. has officially started his term as the new District Treasurer.
- **Open Positions:** They are still looking for people to fill the Alternate DCM and Hotline Chair positions.
- **New Proposals:** The district discussed adding an Alternate Treasurer position, changing the meeting schedule, sending meeting records to the archives, and putting the Service Manual on the district website.

Now for the main item that affects our group. The Treatment Committee is asking for funds to buy A.A. literature for the new meeting at Bay Area Hospital. The total request is for **\$137.00** to purchase a Grapevine subscription, mini-Big Books, and soft-cover Big Books for patients.

Given our group's financial situation and our primary mission of serving the many newcomers who come through our doors, my recommendation is that we do not contribute to this fund. The district is in a very strong financial position with excess funds, while our own resources are limited.

You'll remember that just three months ago, I had to ask the district to fund the purchase of Big Books for our group because we give them away to newcomers, many of whom are coming directly from institutions. The district's own financial report for October shows this expense listed under "CPC/PI (Plain Language BBs - South Coast Unity Group Big Book)." We are already doing vital 12th-step work by ensuring no one leaves our meeting empty-handed.

My plan for the next district meeting is to thank them again for their previous support, report on how those books are being put to good use with our newcomers, and politely suggest that the district is more than capable of funding this important Treatment Committee initiative from its own treasury.

This concludes my report. I'm happy to answer any questions. Sincerely,

Ram B, your alcoholic GSR