# **About Addiction**

We have learned that addiction is an illness. It is a physical, mental, and spiritual disease that affects every area of life. It can be arrested but never cured. We have found that compulsive use of drugs does not indicate a lack of affection for the family. It is not a matter of love, but of illness. The addicts' inability to control their use of drugs is a symptom of the disease of addiction. Even when they know what will happen when they take the first drink, pill or fix, they will do so. This is the "insanity" we speak of in regard to this disease. Only complete abstinence from the use of drugs, including alcohol, can arrest this disease. No one can prevent the addicts' use of drugs. When we accept that addiction is a disease, and that we are powerless over it, we become ready to learn a better way to live.

# On Friendship - Nar-Anon Style

Oh, the comfort – the inexpressible comfort feeling safe with a person.

Having neither to weigh thoughts, nor measure words, but pouring them all right out – just as they are – chaff and grain together. Certain that a faithful hand will take and sift them - Keep what is worth keeping

And with a breath of kindness, blow the rest away

# Nar-Anon

If I am willing to stand aside and let God's will be done, I free myself from personal anxiety and a mistaken sense of responsibility.

#### The Twelve Steps of Nar-Anon Family Groups

- 1. We admitted we were powerless over the addict that our lives had become unmanageable.
- Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
- Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.
- Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
- Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
- Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
- Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.
- Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.
- Made direct amends to such people wherever possible except when to do so would injure them or others.
- 10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
- 11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.
- Having had a spiritual awakening as a result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to others, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

# Nar-Anon Family Groups



For Families
Affected By
Addiction

Ontario Region Meetings
Helpline

Toronto: 416-239-0096

Toll Free: 1-877-239-0096

Website: www.naranonontario.com

(Last update October 30, 2024)
Ontario Region – In-Person



#### **BARRIE**

Free to be me Tuesdays @ 7:00 pm Grace United Church 350 Grove St. East (Follow the Rainbow Walkway to the side door)

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#### BURLINGTON



E: serenityburlington@gmail.com

# **CHATHAM-KENT**

Bienvenue (Bilingual)
Sundays @ 4:00 pm
St. Andrews United Church
85 Williams St S
(use garden entrance off of Wellington)
https://nfgbienvenue.wixsite.com/bienvenue
Check the website for updates before heading out
E: bienvenuenfg@gmail.com

# **GEORGETOWN**

Hybrid – In-Person and Virtual The Circle of Hope Tuesdays @ 7:30 pm Knox Presbyterian Church 116 Main St. S

(Use Church St. entrance and use stairs up to the right)

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# **GUELPH**

We Do It Together

1st and 3rd Tuesday monthly @ 7:00 pm

Lakeside Hope House

75 Norfolk St.

(Use Cork St. entrance.  $2^{nd}$  and  $4^{th}$  Tuesday on Zoom)

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#### **HAMILTON**

Never Alone in Hamilton

# Hybrid – In-Person and Virtual

Mondays @ 7:00 pm Trinity Presbyterian Church 720 Ninth Ave.

(Email for Zoom Login)

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# Changing Ourselves in Hamilton Sundays @ 9:30 am

No meetings will be held on Holiday Weekends

Victory International Church 2799 Barton St E.

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### **INNISFIL**

Stronger Together Tuesdays @ 6:30 pm Innisfil Community Church 1571 Innisfil Beach Road

(Office entrance and follow signs. Email for keyed elevator access)

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# LONDON

Hopeful Hearts NFG Thursdays @ 7:00 pm Egerton St. Baptist Church

# 209 Egerton Street

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#### **OAKVILLE**

Serenity On Kerr Thursdays @ 7:00 pm Palermo United Church 2521 Dundas St. W. (Rear entrance)

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# **OSHAWA** – (ASL Interpreter)

Hearts of Courage

# **Hybrid – In-Person and Virtual**

Tuesdays @ 7:00 pm Crosspoint Church 700 Ritson Rd. North

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# **OTTAWA**

Pioneer

# Hybrid - In-Person and Virtual

Saturdays @ 7:30 pm Royal Ottawa Mental Health Center 1145 Carling Ave.(East of Merivale Rd) Room 1421 (Email for Zoom Login)

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# **OWEN SOUND**

Owen Sound Nar-Anon Thursdays @ 7:00 pm

In Person Meetings Suspended Until Spring

Central Westside United Church 310 10<sup>th</sup> St. W

Owen Sound, ON

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#### **PEFFERLAW**

Cedar Group
Tuesdays @ 7:00 pm (Closed for August)
Cedardale Church of the Nazarene
471 Pefferlaw Rd
Pefferlaw. ON

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#### **SCARBOROUGH**

New Beginnings Mondays @ 7:30 pm

Temp. Closed but meeting virtually until re-opening

St. Theresa's Shrine of the Little Flower 2559 Kingston Rd. (at Midland)

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#### **SUDBURY**

Nar-Anon Faith Over Fear Tuesdays @ 7:30 pm Grace United Church 1520 Bancroft Dr.



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#### **THAMESVILLE**

HOPE – Hold On Pain Ends Mondays @ 7:30 pm Westover Treatment Centre 2 Victoria Rd S



(Smaller administrative building east of the main house) **E:** thamesvillenaranon@outlook.com

# **THUNDER BAY - NORTH**

Strength and Hope
Thursdays @ 7:00 pm
Closed for the Winter months (Nov-Apr)
Faith City Church
360 Black Bay Road
(Front Parking Lot/ Far Right Door/Lower Level)
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#### **THUNDER BAY - SOUTH**

Tuesdays @ 6:30 pm Sister Margaret Smith Centre 301 Lillie St. N., Room 110 Thunder Bay, ON

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#### **TORONTO**

Freedom & Serenity In
Person Meeting
Mondays @ 6pm
Ukrainian Canadian Social Services
Bldg., Main Floor Meeting Room
2445 Bloor St. W

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#### WIARTON

Wiarton Nar-Anon Mondays @ 7:00 pm Closed for the winter months (Nov-Mar) Frank Street Baptist Church 356 Frank St.

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# **WINDSOR**

Road to Hope Tuesdays @ 7:00 pm 3400 Somme Ave

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Courage to Change Thursday @ 7:30 pm Holy Name of Mary Church – McEwen Campus 711 McEwan Ave (side door)

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