

Annual Review and Plan for Regional Council Pre-planning Survey

This survey is designed to **stimulate your ideas and input** about our Regional Council for the upcoming Regional Council. Review and Planning session on:

..... (Date, time and location)

Complete Section 1 and then Section 2. **Bring this with you** to our meeting ready to share your perspectives and ideas for improvement which you record in Section 2.

<i>Mark on the line how strongly you disagree or agree with each of these statements.</i>	
Section 1	Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree
A. Living our Mission (Please refer to 'The Society's Vision and Mission in Action' on page 5)	
1. Conference Members in our Region are interested in learning more about how to assist others more effectively.	- _____ +
2. Our Conference is primarily focussed on the first pillar of Social Justice, 'Immediate assistance'.	- _____ +
3. I agree that the Regional Council's supports Conferences to provide the best possible assistance to those in need in our communities.	- _____ +
4. I would like our Regional Council to assist Conferences to improve their capacity to assist in the 2 nd and 3 rd pillars.	- _____ +
5. Growing our partnerships in our Region will enable us to be more effective in giving a 'Hand up' to those we assist.	- _____ +
B. Relationships	
6. There is a supportive and collegial atmosphere in our meetings.	- _____ +
7. There are positive collaborative relationships between Conferences in the Region. (E.g. Conference with more members assists another Conference with their visits when needed.)	- _____ +
8. Participants support and encourage one another to discuss concerns and issues with each other at meetings.	- _____ +
C. Learning and Development	
9. We have ample spiritual growth opportunities for our members in the region.	- _____ +
10. We have sufficient training opportunities for our members	- _____ +
11. Members in our Region would like to learn more about the Society, such as Twinning, Special Works such as Ability Links.	- _____ +
12. In our region we are participating in opportunities to support and develop leaders.	- _____ +

Section 1 (continued)	Strongly Agree	Strongly Disagree
13. I would appreciate a brief segment on being a more effective leader at our Regional Council meetings.	- _____	_____ +
14. State wide resources available on the MAVS Microsite are regularly noted at our Conference and/or Regional Council meeting.	- _____	_____ +
15. The Regional Council is an ideal forum to discuss emerging issues and needs for the people we assist in our region and how we can proactively address those needs.	- _____	_____ +
16. I would like the Regional Council or Conferences within the region to host forums for guest speakers to share resources for assisting others.	- _____	_____ +
D. Member Growth and Expansion		
17. Our Conferences are adequately meeting the needs of the people we seek to serve in this Region.	- _____	_____ +
18. We have sufficient number of Conferences and members to address the needs of the people we assist in our region.	- _____	_____ +
19. Overall in our region, Conferences are prepared to welcome new members who are younger and/or from culturally diverse backgrounds.	- _____	_____ +
20. Our Conference participated in an Annual Review and Plan.	- _____	_____ +
21. I would support a regular opportunity for Spiritual enrichment for our Region. (e.g. a yearly Regional retreat evening or day)	- _____	_____ +
22. A Regional plan for member recruitment needs to be a priority of this Regional Council.	- _____	_____ +
23. Our Conference would be ready to participate in Regional Recruitment that includes learning about new recruitment opportunities and strategies.	- _____	_____ +
E. Regional Council Meetings		
24. Our Regional Council meetings are purposeful and effective.	- _____	_____ +
25. There is opportunity for all to speak at our meetings.	- _____	_____ +
26. We have a Social Justice Representative (or other person) who presents and leads discussion on Social Justice matters/issues.	- _____	_____ +
27. Local members are or could be invited to attend Regional Council meetings if they wish.	- _____	_____ +
28. We share and discuss the changing needs of our communities at our Regional Council meetings.	- _____	_____ +
29. At our meetings we consider new initiatives and how to improve our service.	- _____	_____ +

Section 2

Bring what you record here with you to our Annual Review and Planning Regional Council meeting.

A. Living our Mission (Please refer to 'The Society's Vision and Mission in Action' document)

1. Name a positive initiative in Pillar 2 or 3 in our Region.
2. What might this Regional Council do to assist Conferences offer a 'hand up' and transform the lives of those we assist? Do you have suggestions on how we can 'Raise our voice?'

B. Relationships

1. Name a strength or two of our Regional Council relationships.
2. What suggestions will help strengthen relationships among Regional Council members and Conferences?

C. Learning and Development (including Spirituality and Resources)

1. What is a strength for our Region in developing our members?
2. What enrichment opportunities would you like to see happen or be promoted more in our region? This includes leadership development, spiritual retreats, training, and knowledge of available resources.

D. Member Growth and Expansion

1. What is a strength for our Region in growing and expanding our membership?
2. What initiatives would you like this Regional Council to undertake to expand our membership numbers and capacity to assist most effectively?

E. Regional Council Meetings

1. Name a strength or two of our Regional Council (RC) meetings.
2. What suggestions do you have to make our Regional Council meetings more effective?

Please record any further thoughts you wish to bring up at the meeting on the reverse side.

Other thoughts or ideas:

The Society's Vision and Mission in Action

"You must not be content with tiding the poor over the poverty crisis: You must study their condition and the injustices which brought about such poverty, with the aim of a long term improvement." Frederic Ozanam

Every pillar and action we take is important and makes a positive impact in a person's life.

As a Conference, what percentage of time do you think you spend in each of the 3 Pillars? Would you like that to be different?
Are there simple steps you / your conference can take to change where you spend your time?

