



San Gabriel Valley Inland Empire COVID-19 Response

Our members are the heart of the SGVIE Intergroup, and the health and safety of our members is our priority. The purpose of this response letter is to provide information and resources that will support you during this health emergency. It is important to note that the guidance below should not replace specific health recommendations by the local, state and national health authorities. Although each meeting group is autonomous, we suggest the following guidelines.

1. We encourage each group to discuss this issue in their individual meetings and come up with their own response plan (i.e. phone meeting, email, phone, social media, contact lists).
2. The SGVIE meeting room is still open and the most meetings have not been affected at this time. Below is a list of meeting with changes.
 - a. Tuesday's newcomers meeting at SGVIE from 730 to 830pm has been postponed for 2 weeks
 - b. The Monrovia meeting on Friday from 3 to 4pm has been canceled for a month per the Annunciation Church guidelines.
 - c. The Joselyn Center in Claremont is closed until further notice. This affects the following meetings:
 - i. Monday 9:15 to 10:15 am
 - ii. Tuesday 10:00 to 11:15 am
 - iii. Friday 12:00 to 1:00 pm
3. If you are exhibiting symptoms (i.e. Fever, cough, and difficulty breathing) please temporarily refrain from in-person meetings until your symptoms are completely gone. It is prudent to get cleared by a medical professional before resuming close physical contact with others.
4. If you have been in contact with someone with symptoms or with someone who has recently travelled to a country that is currently experiencing a major outbreak (i.e. China, Italy, Iran, South Korea) please avoid in-person meetings for 14 days and monitor your health before returning to face to face meetings.
5. We suggest meetings temporarily implement social distancing (i.e. avoiding shaking hands and hand-holding).
6. We encourage members to avoid or wipe down common areas/items during meetings (i.e. books, tables, etc.).
7. We encourage members to wash hands when able. Currently the sink at SGVIE is not working but hand sanitizer is available. The repair of the sink is currently being worked on.
8. We also ask that people refrain from taking sanitary items from the SGVIE bathroom during this toiletry and sanitizer shortage.
9. Please temporarily consider phone meetings if you are experiencing symptoms. Here is a link to locate phone or online meeting near you. <https://oa.org/find-a-meeting/?type=2>
10. Lastly, we put the health of our members at the forefront and we understand that this health emergency will negatively affect the finances of our Intergroup. We are self-supporting, and if you can still make donations to support SGVIE through the following methods:
 - a. PayPal link on our website. https://www.paypal.com/donate/?token=imiEgzK-gaeW3jT4AOW9Zji7H_YtcTSwvuS8_Oxp0ly_qG4OmixJPRcdTAIWWhHN8yH8rvG&fromUL=true&country.x=US&locale.x=en_US
 - b. Zelle to Treasurer.sgvie@gmail.com or (951) 295-0709
 - c. Or personal check to SGVIE.

For further information, the World service office (WSO) has provided an announcement regarding the COVID-19 outbreak (<https://oa.org/news/covid-19-coronavirus/>). We will revise these guidelines as information changes and keep updating the online meeting list. We hope this information has been helpful.