

## WORLD SERVICE BUSINESS CONFERENCE 2015 REPORT

I feel very blessed and I am very grateful to have gone to WSBC 2015. I was funded by Region 8 and otherwise would not have gotten to go.

Seeing how OA works as a whole was really an eye opening experience. Where I live our group is quite small and I've never been one to get too far away from home....my comfort zone!

Listening to others share at the workshops, recovery meetings and even at the business meetings has opened my eyes to how others face this disease head on and work a strong program of recovery. I saw how friendly others are in this fellowship and how willing we all are to help one another. I was also able to see for myself how bringing our concerns to the Board and being able to vote on these matters helps to better OA as a whole.

I heard many great things I've never heard before. So much I was able to take to my local IG and recovery meetings, share with my sponsees and apply to my daily recovery. I really feel this all can make myself and my IG and meetings stronger.

I was put on the Professional Outreach Committee which is something I am very passionate about. The committee was wonderful and full of fresh ideas. I am anxious to get that ball rolling locally!

Even though 22 countries, 37 states and 7 provinces were represented I didn't realize just how awesome it would feel to sit among those from other areas of the world. Just hearing the Serenity Prayer in other languages brought me to tears and the realization of just how powerful this disease is. It isn't just among those around me in my comfort zone. I was even blessed enough to have 3 roommates from 3 other countries!

To Region 8, I am so very thankful for the funding to go to WSBC. I believe

my recovery and self-confidence is stronger today because of this opportunity.  
You all have no idea what this has done for me....I can't wait to go back!

Humbly & Respectfully Yours,

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