

# What GSRs Do

## Introduction

Group Service Representatives, or GSRs, act as a liaison between their meeting group and the Bay Area Community Intergroup (BACI), providing information in **both** directions.

GSRs are chosen by their CoDA home meeting via an informed group conscience of the group they represent. Each GSR (and preferably an alternate) is selected by any method deemed appropriate by their group.

Healthy meetings rotate volunteers in various meeting service roles, including GSRs. Their term is usually one to two years, but it may be different as determined by group conscience of each independent meeting.

## Activities and Roles

1. GSR service usually requires at least 90 minutes of your time per month. You represent your meeting at BACI monthly meetings by engaging in discussions of issues and by voting on motions using the Group Conscience process.
2. Read minutes of the previous Intergroup meeting prior to the upcoming meeting and be prepared with any corrections (if you attended) or questions before the vote to accept them takes place. (Minutes from the last meeting can be found at this link <https://www.sfbaycoda.net/BACIminutes.pdf>)
3. Email any agenda items from your meeting to [baci.codaservice@gmail.com](mailto:baci.codaservice@gmail.com) at least 1 week before the next scheduled meeting and be prepared to present and make a motion (if appropriate) on your item(s).
4. Attend the BACI meeting on the second Sunday of the month from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., except when a change has been announced. Prior to the meeting, review the proposed agenda sent out by the meeting secretary. The meeting is currently held via Zoom and the Zoom link is provided on the agenda. If new to BACI, we encourage you to come early to visit a little
5. At the meeting, introduce yourself as a GSR and identify which meeting you represent.
6. Vote in elections. Yes/No/Abstain.
7. If interested, join a subcommittee (e.g., mini conference, service, website)
8. Follow the Twelve Traditions to the best of your ability, especially placing ‘principles before personalities’ when debating issues.
9. Report back to your home meeting. Communicate in both directions by sharing information.
10. If unable to attend Intergroup, ask another member of your home meeting to fill in and update your meeting at the next business meeting.

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