

22 seated regions 7 unseated regions* 8,522 meetings

member regions include

Argenting Baja Son Bolivia* **Brazil Central** Chile Colombia Costa Rica Cuba* Ecuador El Salvador

Grande São Paulo Guatemala Honduras*

HOW Brazil

Mexico Minas

Nicaragua Occidente-Mexico

Panama

Paraguay*

Peru Quisqueyana

Region Del Coquí Spain Uruquay

Venezuela Spanish-speaking Area of Southern California* Spanish-speaking Area of South Florida* Spanish-speaking Area

Zonal Meetings

of Texas*

In-person twice a year (4 days long) Virtual four times a year (average length 4 hours) Hybrid

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INFORMATION

Established

1993

Focus

The focus of the meeting is primarily public relations, Fellowship development, and how to provide services to their member regions. They do this through informational reports from the executive committee, zonal delegates, HRP, workgroups, and member regions. There are discussions on topics presented from these bodies which include: ideas, proposals, motions, projects, processes, procedures, and pending/new issues. They also conduct workshops. They get the work done through a mixture of CBDM and parliamentary procedures. They do hear all opinions on a topic but when necessary there are votes and decisions are made according to the majority.

Services

There are seven workgroups that perform the services of the zone: Public Relations, Fellowship Development, Internet, Revisions and Translations, InfoLatina (FZLA Magazine), Policy and Procedures, and the Latin American Convention on Narcotics Anonymous. The work of the workgroups benefit all of LAZF.

The PR and FD workgroups are available for virtual or in-person workshops scheduled through the region's delegate. The workgroup for the convention is comprised of members of the region that will host the next convention.

CAR/CAT workshops are hosted virtually for all who wish to attend. However, only the RD teams have a voice on the floor.

CHANGES/SUCCESSES

The biggest changes and successes for the LAZF have happened due to the pandemic. A service platform called Recovery at a Distance (RAD) was implemented and they now host a daily virtual recovery meeting for Spanish-speaking members.

The PR workgroup created a virtual international H&I panel with 90 trusted servants that provide panels to more than 25 prisons and institutions all over Latin America.

The FD workgroup has provided mapping to identify and connect members in isolated and rural areas. They help them open virtual groups and eventually an in-person group. Efforts such as this have provided support to Cuba and Honduras where the very existence of NA was at risk. Now the LAZF is providing FD and strategic planning in both communities.

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Chair Vice-chair Treasurer

Secretary

Human Resources Panel

Chair Vice-chair Secretary **Alternate Secretary Working Group Chairs Public Relations** FD

Internet **Revisions and Translations** InfoLatinas - FZLA Magazine **Policy and Procedures CLANA**

Zonal Delegate ZD Alternate

COLLABORATION

All workgroups of the LAZF meet virtually and are open to all Spanish-speaking members with approval of the delegate of their region.

The LAZF and the Brazilian Zonal Forum are working together on the Interzonal Services Convention schedule for August 2023. They periodically have other zonal trusted servants share in their RAD morning meeting.

FINANCIAL

The biennial budget is \$17,840 and it is funded, for the most part, through the profits of their convention. The executive committee and ZD team are fully funded. Some regions are partially financed with 20% coming from the regions and 80% from LAZF.