Area 51 Summer Committee
August 24-25, 2019

Village Inn Hotel & Event Center
6205 Ramada Dr. Clemmons, NC 27012

ADVANCE HOTEL INFORMATION

Deadline for Reservations: Thursday, July 19, 2019

Group Name: **General Service Committee of Alcoholics Anonymous**
Group Code: (NCGS)
Room Rates: $89.00 Single/Double, $89.00 Triple, $89.00 Quad
Phone: 336-766-9121

For Best Results:

- Call as soon as possible and definitely before the deadline. It's easier to cancel a reservation than to get one at the last minute.
- Please note: once the rooms in our block sell out, it's unlikely there will be other rooms left in the hotel.
- PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY!
- There is no group code for reservations at the Villages. Simply say that you are with the NCGS, and need to make a reservation on that room block.
- For best results, try to call the Villages Hotel and Events Center at 336-766-9121 during business hours Monday through Friday. If you call off-hours, you may need to specify that you wish to speak to someone in Reservations.
- Always be sure to get a confirmation number.
- If you have ANY trouble with Room Rate or Availability please contact Julie R., the Area Chair, at chair@aanorthcarolina.org.
- **Thank you for your service and support of Area 51.**
- **See you at the Summer 2019 Committee!**

Why Staying at Our Host Hotel is Important

A Message from the Area 51 Chair

Typically, Area 51 host hotels charge meeting room fees based on the number of guest rooms our attendees occupy. For every Assembly, Committee Meeting and Convention, Area 51 has a contract that specifies the number of guest rooms the hotel will "block" for our use. If we fill at least 80% of our room block, our meeting space is *free.* Otherwise, we are charged on a sliding scale according to how far short of the 80% mark we fall.

Free meeting space is what Area 51 budgets and what we usually achieve. However, more than once we have come up short and paid a steep price. We have contracted with the Sheraton Greensboro at Four Seasons through August 2018. Our room block is measured in room nights; a room night is one night's stay in one room. For example, 31 rooms booked for 2 nights each would yield 62 room nights. Given the potential costs to the Area, reservations at the host hotel are extremely important.

During the Site Investigation process, Area 51 makes every effort to negotiate the most favorable room rates possible. Budget hotels don't have the kind of meeting space we require, and space in higher-end hotels is expensive. But the continued willingness of individuals to attend Area events and booking their rooms at our host hotel is essential in making Area events affordable at all.

So please attend the Area events you can, and stay at the host hotel using the group name. Please consider the slight extra cost as a contribution to Area 51—a small sacrifice for our "common welfare," which really must come first if we are to continue meeting and working together to fulfill our Primary Purpose as an Area.

"I am responsible…When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that: I am responsible."

Thank you for your service in Area 51!