

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
BRIDGING THE GAP
REQUEST FOR PRE-RELEASE CONTACT**

The **Bridging the Gap (BTG)** program is a world wide service provided by Alcoholics Anonymous (AA). Coordinated by local Correctional Facilities Committees of AA, the program introduces inmates to the sober life possible through AA. It does this first, if time permits, by letter contact from an AA volunteer and then, immediately upon your release, that volunteer will meet with you, accompany you to a few AA meetings in your home community and introduce you to other AA members in that community.

As an inmate requesting an AA contact, please be aware of the following:

- 1) You must be within (90) days of your release date to receive letter contact;
- 2) AA offers only a path to recovery from alcoholism, not money, jobs, housing or the like;
- 3) The BTG contact person serves as a vital, temporary link between you and the outside AA Groups;
- 4) This contact person will write to you after this form is processed, time permitting. The two of you will make arrangements to meet as soon as possible after your release. This contact person will help you get to your first few AA meetings, and introduce you to other AA members, in your local area;
- 5) Many newly released individuals have found that it works best if you select your own AA sponsor very soon after attending outside AA group meetings. This usually is someone other than the BTG contact;
- 6) We need you to supply the following information in order to get you the proper BTG contact person.
This information will be kept strictly confidential.

PLEASE PRINT

Today's Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Your Name: _____

Current facility mailing address:

Din # _____

Facility _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone # (____) ____ - _____

Address to which you will be released:

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone # (____) ____ - _____

Anticipated release date: ____ / ____ / ____ Would you prefer a Spanish Speaking Contact? ____

Please email or scan this form to: btg@aahmbny.org