

ACA WSO Treasurer's Report for the 2026 Annual Business Conference

Adult Children of Alcoholics World Service Organization (ACA WSO) continued to meet its financial obligations in a timely and responsible manner throughout 2025. During the year, ACA WSO invested in literature development, website improvements, translation projects, and international accessibility initiatives to help more adult children access recovery materials in the language their inner child understands.

Literature sales remain our primary revenue stream, while 7th Tradition contributions from members, groups, and intergroups continue to provide essential support for ACA's global mission.

The following financial information has been updated using the independently audited financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024.

Balance Sheet Overview (Audited)

| Category | 2024 | 2025 | Change |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Total Cash & Cash Equivalents | \$394,404 | \$355,226 | ↓ \$39,178 |
| Accounts Receivable | \$9,342 | \$12,889 | ↑ \$3,547 |
| Inventory Assets | \$446,360 | \$365,687 | ↓ \$80,673 |
| Prepaid Expenses | \$63,873 | \$78,660 | ↑ \$14,787 |
| Total Current Assets | \$913,979 | \$812,462 | ↓ \$101,517 |
| Fixed & Intangible Assets (incl. Lease ROU) | \$683,004 | \$564,175 | ↓ \$118,829 |
| Deposits | \$22,011 | \$22,011 | 0 |
| Total Assets | \$1,618,994 | \$1,398,648 | ↓ \$220,346 |
| Total Liabilities | \$778,373 | \$626,738 | ↓ \$151,635 |
| Total Net Assets | \$840,621 | \$771,910 | ↓ \$68,711 |

Balance Sheet Highlights

- As of December 31, 2025, total cash, cash equivalents, and certificates of deposit were \$355,226, a decrease of \$39,178 from 2024. This reflects strategic use of reserves for operational support, literature development, website implementation, and infrastructure investments. Included in this balance were \$162,242 in certificates of deposit held at year-end.
- Inventory assets decreased to \$365,687, reflecting the timing of when inventory is ordered and received.

- Prepaid expenses increased to \$78,660, largely due to inventory deposits, technology subscriptions, and advance operating costs.
- Total current assets were \$812,462, demonstrating continued operational stability.
- Fixed and intangible assets, including website development costs, copyrights, trademarks, lease right-of-use assets, and office equipment totaled \$564,175, a decrease primarily attributable to replacement of old website and lease asset reductions.
- Total liabilities decreased significantly to \$626,738, largely due to ongoing reduction in lease liabilities and full repayment of the organization’s outstanding note payable during 2025.
- Total net assets ended the year at \$771,910, reflecting a decrease of \$68,711 during 2025.

Statement of Activities (Audited)

| Category | 2024 | 2025 | Change |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Total Income | \$2,350,649 | \$2,327,230 | ↓ \$23,419 |
| Literature Sales | \$1,848,181 | \$1,814,022 | ↓ \$34,159 |
| 7 th Tradition Contributions | \$502,373 | \$513,208 | ↑ \$10,835 |
| Credit Card Rewards & Interest Income | \$10,258 | \$9,062 | ↓ \$1,196 |
| Foreign Exchange Gain (Loss) | \$0 | (\$6,840) | ↓ \$6,840 |
| Total Expenses | \$2,349,769 | \$2,398,163 | ↑ \$48,394 |
| Change in Net Assets | \$11,138 | (\$68,711) | ↓ \$79,849 |

Statement of Activities Highlights

- Total income for 2025 was \$2,327,230, a slight decrease of \$23,419 from 2024.
- Literature sales totaled \$1,814,022, remaining ACA WSO’s primary source of revenue and continuing to demonstrate strong global demand for ACA literature.
- Contributions increased to \$513,208, an increase of \$10,835 from the prior year. This reflects the ongoing generosity and engagement of ACA members, groups, and intergroups worldwide.
- Total expenses increased to \$2,398,163, reflecting continued investments in staffing, technology, literature development, website implementation, operational infrastructure, and global fellowship support.

- ACA WSO reported a decrease in net assets of \$68,711 for 2025. ACA WSO remains financially stable with strong liquidity and asset reserves.

Functional Expense Summary (2025)

| Category | 2025 |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Program Services | \$1,812,588 |
| Management & General | \$545,774 |
| Fundraising | \$39,801 |
| Total Expenses | \$2,398,163 |

Functional Expense Highlights

- Program services represented approximately 76% of total organizational expenses, reflecting ACA WSO's continued support of fellowship services, literature, digital resources, and related programs.
- Management and general expenses represented approximately 23% of total organizational expenses and supported governance, accounting, technology administration, and overall organizational operations.
- Fundraising expenses represented approximately 1% of total organizational expenses, reflecting continued stewardship of contribution resources.

Contributions and Restricted Funds

In 2025, ACA WSO received \$513,208 in contributions from individuals, groups, and intergroups across the fellowship. These contributions continued to play an important role in sustaining ACA's worldwide service structure and carrying out the message of recovery.

Restricted contributions designated primarily for the Literature Scholarship Fund totaled \$40,165 at year-end. During 2025, ACA WSO utilized \$12,386 from restricted funds to provide literature support to others in need.

ACA WSO remains deeply grateful for the ongoing generosity of the fellowship and continues to encourage voluntary contributions as an expression of ACA's spiritual principle of self-support.

Operational and Financial Highlights

- **Website Development and Technology Investments**
During 2025, ACA WSO completed implementation of a new website platform and continued investing in technology and digital infrastructure to support fellowship services. Prior website asset was removed from the accounting records following full amortization.

- **Lease Obligations**

ACA WSO continued operating under its Signal Hill office lease through October 2028. Remaining lease obligations totaled \$475,954 as of December 31, 2025.

- **Debt Elimination**

The ACA WSO fully repaid its outstanding note payable during 2025, resulting in a year-end balance of \$0.

- **Liquidity and Financial Stability**

ACA WSO ended 2025 with:

- \$327,950 in financial assets available for general expenditures within one year
- Strong inventory reserves
- Reduced Liabilities
- No outstanding long-term debt beyond lease obligations

The audited financial statements state that ACA WSO continues to manage liquidity through prudent financial stewardship, maintaining sufficient reserves while supporting operational and fellowship growth.

Closing Remarks

ACA WSO remains financially stable and spiritually grounded, with a continuing focus on carrying the message of hope and recovery for the adult child in need. This continuing focus is international in scope and sets ACA WSO apart from other not-for-profit entities due to our unique focus on the 5th Tradition.

While the audited 2025 financials reflected an increased operational investment and a decrease in net assets, the organization continues to maintain substantial reserves, strong literature sales, growing 7th Tradition contribution support, and reduced liabilities.

I am very grateful for the assistance provided by the WSO Board, Finance Committee, staff, consultants, and volunteers—all of whom provided support for me to complete the many tasks inherent in the Treasurer's role. I have now seen, first hand, the extraordinary efforts required to move the 5th Tradition from words to actions on an international basis. I trust that you, the reader, will take away the notions that our funds, whether derived from 7th Tradition contributions or literature sales, have been aligned with responsible stewardship and used for global literature development and access, infrastructure modernization, and carrying the ACA message of recovery throughout the world.

And, we continue with that focus in 2026.

In loving service,

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