

## The Twelve Steps of Recovery in the Lifestyle

- 1. We admitted we were powerless in our addictions that our lives had become unmanageable.
- 2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
- 3. Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of our *Higher Power* as we understood *It*.
- 4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
- 5. Admitted to our *Higher Power*, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
- 6. Were entirely ready to have our *Higher Power* remove all these defects of character.
- 7. Humbly asked our *Higher Power* to remove our shortcomings.
- 8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.
- 9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
- 10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
- 11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with our *Higher Power*, as we understood *It*, praying only for knowledge of *Its* will for us and the power to carry that out.
- 12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to those in recovery, and practice these principles in all our affairs.