What IS the HALTline?

What the HALTline is:

One alcoholic talking to another alcoholic --- Isn't that what A.A. is all about? You might:

- Give out meeting time and location information.
- Talk and/or listen to a sober alcoholic in danger of picking up a drink.
- Talk and/or listen to a sober alcoholic who is visiting the area.
- Talk to a "drunk". You may be the link in the chain that could save their life.
- Refer a caller to the Intergroup Office and inform them of the office hours.

What the HALTline is <u>not</u>:

- The Halt Line is <u>not</u> a taxi service...
- It is <u>not</u> a referral service...
- We are <u>not</u> a counseling service...
- We do <u>not</u> give medical advice or opinions.

What you need to be a volunteer:

- One year of sobriety is suggested because the first year needs focus on recovery before such service.
- Touch-tone phone service.
- Meeting lists (we suggest District 26 and Worcester Area). These are available free of charge from Worcester Area Intergroup and are available on the Website "www.aaworcester.org"
- 3 or more hours of time during the week that you will be available to answer calls. This is done from your own home or cell phone. You need not have to answer as A.A. you can simply answer and when asked say you are "Answering for Worcester Area Intergroup, how can I help you"

What will happen:

When you come on the line at your scheduled time, the calls are forwarded from the Intergroup Office to your home or cell phone. This is done at no expense to you.