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Guidelines for Re-Districting

Before a District proposes to change its boundaries the following questions should be asked:

- a. Will a change in boundaries enhance the District Representative's (DR) opportunities to visit every group?
- b. Would this change be beneficial for future growth patterns?
- c. Why is this change being proposed?
- d. Is there a better way to serve the District than re-drawing the boundaries, i.e. using the Alternate DR more effectively?
- e. Will the new Districts be able to support themselves financially and be able to fill the necessary District positions, i.e. DR, Alt. DR, Secretary, Treasurer, etc.

If a District wants to continue with this proposal after answering the above questions then that District would need to proceed with the following guidelines:

1. Prepare a map of new proposed boundaries.
2. Contact each and every group in the District to see if they are in agreement with the new proposed boundaries. Every group in the District should vote on this either be attending a District meeting or by proxy.
3. Hold meetings among adjacent Districts to review map of current boundaries and proposed, changes.
4. Make sure all Districts involved are in agreement with new boundaries.
5. Make sure that all Districts involved have enough financial resources to function as an active District.
6. Make sure that all Districts involved have enough people willing, able and qualified to fill the necessary positions in each District.
7. After all of the above has been accomplished, the DR from the District wanting to change boundaries should present a recommendation to the Area World Service Committee (AWSC).
8. AWSC will then review and decide whether or not to recommend this proposal to the Assembly.
9. If the AWSC decides to present this to the Assembly, it will be done at the following Assembly. It will then be taken back to all groups for discussion.
10. At the following Assembly all Group Representatives (GR) in the Area will vote on this proposal.
11. If the proposal is accepted, the District wanting the boundary change would then be responsible for notifying all the groups affected by the change, the World Service Office, etc. The change would then go into effect.