# BDA Solvency Immersion Conference Hosted by BDA Workshops (registered group # 122319)

Conference Survey Results — July through December 2021 — 50% Survey Response Rate

# Survey Questions — Page 1 — General

WHEN ASKED FOR RATINGS: 1 — Poor; 2 — Okay; 3 — Good; 4 — Great; 5 — Excellent

# Do you have any advice to offer future conference registrants?

Be clear about your expectations — why did you sign up?

It will be very useful to become familiar with the BDA Workshops site and the links to find the homework.

Attend or [listen to] the orientation, take notes to set yourself up for success, and make time to stay on track. This conference was work but life changing.

Get a sponsor or partner prior to starting to work the Steps with.

Yes, get a study buddy to go through the work with if there isn't anyone available to take you through the Steps. Enjoy the journey of going through the work. Do not be intimidated if you do not have a thriving business.

#### Do you have any advice to offer about improving the conference cycle?

Talk about what the conference is and what it is not. i.e. it's not QB Help Desk; Support Group for outside issues. It IS for taking the steps with someone who has gone through the work in the Conference before — as well as the other sets of 12. It is for gaining and maintaining solvency through this work.

During the introduction, incorporate a sentence describing a few common outside issues to avoid. Some folks are not aware they are bringing up outside issues.

No nothing really. More active participation from people sharing on the work they are doing and the experience they are having and more people on camera to increase connection would be cool but I don't think they can be mandated.

No, the conference was wonderful!

I like the idea of guest hosts which is being implemented in 2022.



# About improving the workshop sessions in general?

We need more volunteers to help with readings and time keeping.

I think they have a good flow.

No, the conference was wonderful!

No.

# About improving any specific workshop sessions or components?

The sessions are really thorough, nothing comes to mind at the moment.

None at this time.

No, the conference was wonderful!

No.



### How was your experience of After Party (https://www.bdaworkshops.org/about-after-party)?

#### 1-5 rating plus comments: 4.25, 85%, B

I did not attend

- 5 It is really nice to fellowship with the group!
- 4 I think after is good but sometimes people can get a little out there.
- 5 I loved the *After Party* format and structure.
- 3 I could take it or leave it. I was often too distracted and found my attention span was limited after 2 hours of listening on the workshops.

# How was your experience of Fellowship Drop-In (https://www.bdaworkshops.org/about-fellowship-drop-in)?

# 1-5 rating plus comments: 4.6, 92%, A-

- 4 It has been very good the fellowship part is the most important, connecting with others in a safe place.
- 5 It feels a little slow because not everyone has an issue due to the group being so small, however, once we get on a topic we seem to run out of time. Personally, I love doing the homework as a group.
- 4 More participation would be good, but I found it helpful.
- 5 Again, I loved the format and structure.

5!



# How were the workshop materials?

#### 1-5 rating plus comments: 4.6, 92%, A-

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5 — The materials are great; I love the questions.

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- 3 A bit overwhelming
- 5! I appreciate the work that went into the workshop materials, very detailed.

#### How were the workshop sessions?

#### 1-5 rating plus comments: 5, 100%, A+

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5 — The sessions were extremely powerful, targeted, smart, useful, and concise.

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- 5 Wonderful, loved all of them.
- 5 I am grateful Bob took me through most of the work. I always looked forward to my [one-to-one zoom] sessions with you. Thank you, Bob.



# Were there any sessions that stood out as your "favorites" or most productive for you?

To date, the most powerful workshops were the weeks we covered steps 10 and 11.

No, seems like each one is my favorite when I am in it.

Honestly, I was amazed by all the sessions. They were [each] unique and therefore I can't decide which was my "favorite."

The sessions on 3rd and 11th Steps were my favorites because I enjoy talking about spiritual growth.



Were there any sessions that stood out as your "least favorites" or least productive for you?

All sessions were productive to me.

Not that I can think of.

No.

None.

# Survey Questions — Page 2 — Connections and Cycle Goals

WHEN ASKED FOR RATINGS: 1 — Poor; 2 — Okay; 3 — Good; 4 — Great; 5 — Excellent

How was the availability of and connection with your study buddy, if you had one?

1-5 rating plus comments: 3.7, 73%, C-

5 — The study group I had was amazing.

N/A

- 1 I did not have a study buddy and wasn't aware that I needed one prior to the workshop.
- 5 We all showed up and stayed every Thursday which was phenomenal. We all took turns reading and showed up for each other.

How was the availability and connection with fellow conference registrants?

# 1-5 rating plus comments: 4.75, 95%, A

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- 5 The connections I made with registrants is strong. Availability was not an issue.
- 4 More participation and camera would have helped, also people staying in longer. I did make some good connections though that I value.
- 5 I did not try to reach out to many people but the ones I did contact were readily available.

Not everyone wanted to do the work in the workshop and [some] dropped out, but I have been able to remain close with one who left and I am grateful for that.



How was the availability and connection with the host, host group members, and guest speakers?

1-5 rating plus comments: 5, 100%, A+

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5 — The host group was great and made themselves available as needed.

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5 — Great

5!

Our intended outcomes for these workshops were threefold. How did we do on each?

To connect the various elements of the DA program with the practical aspects of our BDA approach to doing business, developing a more complete recovery experience using the spiritual Principles, Promises, and Tools available to us.

1-5 rating plus comments: 5, 100%, A+

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5 — Great blend and reference and time spent on each topic.

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Our intended outcomes for these workshops were threefold. How did we do on each?

To strengthen our BDA membership through the Steps, one-on-one support, and connection of national and international members through a focused, committed recovery and sharing environment.

1-5 rating plus comments: 5, 100%, A+

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5 — Very solid connections and relationships for me.

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5!





Our intended outcomes for these workshops were threefold. How did we do on each?

Through registrations for this event, we raised \$3,182.42 in post-expense proceeds for outreach to debtors and provision of free conference-approved literature to anyone who asks. How did it feel to contribute to these DA and BDA service efforts?

1-5 rating plus comments: 4.2, 84%, B

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5 — Honored to help with that.

1 — I don't necessarily agree with how the donations are used (I have no problem paying for literature and I'm not too invested in advertising) but that's just my opinion and respect the group conscious.

5!

— Thank you for your incredible generosity! —

# Survey Questions — Page 3 — Personal Progress

#### WHEN ASKED FOR RATINGS: 1 — Poor; 2 — Okay; 3 — Good; 4 — Great; 5 — Excellent

Did you make progress on the Steps during this conference cycle?

1-5 rating plus comments: 3.75, 75%, C

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5 — I made some progress, which has helped me immensely.

I didn't actively take the steps this cycle. I have completed them previously and will be doing them again next cycle. I did learn though.

- 1 No, the amount of work was overwhelming [to me,] so I decided to simply step back and observe this time around. I enjoyed observing but can't say I had any change because I didn't do any of the work.
- 4 Yes, more than I have in all of my DA recovery.



Did you complete the Steps during this conference cycle?

1-5 rating plus comments: 4.5, 90%, A-

5 — No. I will work through the steps in the next cycle.

No.

4 — Yes, I was able to get to step 8.

Did this conference cycle help prepare you to be a sponsor or a more confident sponsor?

1-5 rating plus comments: 4.75, 95%, A

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5 — Yes

5 — Yes

4 — Absolutely.



Did this conference cycle help prepare you to serve beyond your group or to be a more confident trusted servant?

# 1-5 rating plus comments: 5, 100%, A+

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5 — Yes. I feel very comfortable with being a trusted servant.

5 — Yes.

5 — I feel more confident in general.





Did this conference cycle help prepare you to be a business owner or a more confident business owner?

#### 1-5 rating plus comments: 5, 100%, A+

5 — Yes, I feel more and more like a successful confident business owner, person, friend, member of this program and AA, and had my best month ever in the history of my business during this cycle.

5 — Absolutely! I feel so much more confident in taking my next steps to being a business owner.

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If you could wave a magic wand and make three changes to the conference cycle, what would they be?

That more people attend drop in, variety of speakers, more people to take people through the work.

I can't think of anything right now.

No suggestions on the conference.

- 1. Less content
- 2. Only focus on steps, traditions, or concepts, not all at once.
- 3. Have pre-arranged partner or sponsor ready to work with participants
- 1. The length of the cycle.
- 2. No outside issues discussed.
- 3. I wish there were people talking about implementing the Steps into their daily lives and living in the solution.
- 4. Asking people to read some of their [answers to the questions in the workshop materials].

# Can you name three things about the conference cycle that you would not want to see changed?

Having a speaker; Q & A; leaving out the Promises.

None come to mind.

- 1. Structure
- 2. Content
- 3. Speaker shares

I have two ...

- 1. Speakers.
- 2. Materials





Did we focus enough on DA recovery in business and at work for your needs and wants?

YES

Yes.

Yes, absolutely.

Yes, absolutely.

Yes.

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