

FRIENDSHIP HOUSE CONTRACT

Our Mission

FH is a non-profit, founded in 1985 by Louise Montgomery. We depend on prayer, private donations, fundraisers and volunteers. Our mission is to express the love of God through Jesus Christ, by providing a safe, sober home. Friendship and support are extended to men in recovery.

Rules and Standards

Staff is here to provide daily accountability. Establishing a recovery plan (must fill out our 3 page form) and becoming more aware of God's plan for your life are important to recovery. Contract/house rules must be followed. Residents may stay up to a full year if rent is current and there are no major issues or violations with residency. You must call SPGA if assistance is needed to pay rent until employed. RENT is \$150 weekly, includes utilities, wifi and all food. Rent is **NON-REFUNDABLE**. Washers/Dryers are available for residents at no cost.

ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

Consuming or possessing alcohol/illegal substances while in residence at Friendship House will result in immediate discharge. If a resident returns to the house under the influence, he will not be allowed to stay. Residents routinely are given random alcohol/drug tests and must be performed on request in a timely manner. Prescription medication must be given to the director upon entrance. Medications are locked in the office and distributed weekly. Smoking is permitted in designated areas. **PLEASE BE AWARE AND RESPECTFUL OF OUR NEIGHBORS.**

MANDATORY MEETINGS/ MEAL TIMES

All residents are required to attend AA meetings weekly. You are expected to have and work with an AA sponsor.

Bible Study/House Meeting 6:00 – 7:00 PM on Monday is mandatory.

Wednesday night AA meeting at 7 PM is mandatory for all residents.

Monday-Thursday dinner at 5:30 PM is mandatory.

EMPLOYMENT

Residents may seek employment at any time, your employment and time demands must be communicated to the house manager/director.

HOUSE RESPONSIBILITIES/CURFEW

Daily chores, ROD-shift duties, plus occasional projects are expected.

Only feed Brady (black lab) his dog food.

You are required to be up by 8:00 AM (Mon-Fri), dressed, bed made and room completely picked up. Room inspections are done routinely at 8:00 AM.

Curfew is 10:00 PM Sun.–Thurs., 11:00 PM Fri.-Sat. If an emergency comes up, **YOU MUST CALL the HM!** Please be respectful of other residents after hours.

TV/VIDEOS/PHONES

TV's in common areas can be used 4PM – 11PM weekdays and 9AM – 12AM on weekends. Exceptions may be made. All videos/movies viewed (TV, any electronic device) must follow FH guidelines: pornography or excessive profanity are not allowed.

House phone is limited to local calls (no collect) of 5 minutes (6AM-Curfew).

OVERNIGHT PASSES

Months 1-2 - one, Months 3–5 - two, Months 6-on three overnights. Unused passes do not carry over. Approval and forms needed 24 hours prior to exit time.

MEAL TIMES/FOOD

Dinner (M – TH) is prepared. All other meals are informal (you are responsible for your own meal, putting your dishes in the dishwasher and cleaning up after yourself. The kitchen is closed after 10:00 PM.

TRANSPORTATION

The bus system runs in front of FH. Vehicles are allowed with a valid license, insurance & registration.

RELATIONSHIPS/VISITORS

You will be encouraged to make your recovery a priority. Visitors are not allowed in bedrooms and no physical contact is allowed with resident and friend/girlfriend on FH property. Excessive visits would be limited.

BEHAVIOR AND ATTITUDE

Deliberate property destruction would lead to immediate eviction. Lying to staff, stealing/borrowing without permission, violence (including threat or possession

of weapons), testing positive for drugs/ alcohol, or misuse of prescriptions, will lead to immediate discharge.

Using profanity at FH is discouraged. You must be fully clothed at all times.

A written “warning” is a final warning with any further violation leading to the termination of your FH contract.

BELONGINGS

ANY form of pornography, witchcraft, offensive music (profanity) is not allowed and items will be discarded. Clothing with logos/wording related to alcohol, drugs, sex, gangs is prohibited and no weapons are allowed in your possession.

Staff reserves the right to inspect residents’ belongings at random. Belongings will be inspected and all clothes/towels/bedding must be run through our dryers for 30 minutes before entering your room.

Your belongings will be held for only one week after you leave.

FH claims no responsibility for lost or stolen items.

PROBATION GUIDELINES residents on probation must follow all conditions set by their P.O. and all probation restrictions supersede FH rules/curfew, etc.

- Your emergency contact and probation officer will be notified if you are discharged from FH.

When signing this contract, you are authorizing FH to share information with any professionals working with you. I understand, accept and agree to abide by the rules of Friendship House:

RESIDENT: _____ DATE: _____

(Print Name): _____

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: _____ DATE _____

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