

SHELTER RULES

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Our Rule:

"What commandment is the foremost of all?" Jesus answered, "The foremost is, 'Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' "The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." (NAS, Mark 12.28-31)

In Jesus' teachings, our relationship with our fellow men, women and children is inseparable from our relationship with God. Love of God and love of our neighbors are two aspects of the same calling:

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." (NIV, John 13.34-35)

General Shelter Rules:

- All rules will be read, understood, and signed agreement prior to receiving shelter, to foster trust toward, and respect for the other guests.
- All direction from staff will be complied with *immediately* to keep each other safe.
- Understand that you are here, only for a 3 month period, beginning today.
- Positively No one in the kitchen except Staff.
- Positively No Alcohol or un-proscribed drugs on the premises
(If found, all contraband will be confiscated).
- Positively No personal or storage items will be allowed at the host church sleeping locations, including personal items such as clothing and luggage. (Exceptions for Medical needs require Staff pre-approval.)
- Positively No Threatening Language. (Those engaging in this language will be warned, with the hope of church reconciliation, but in the event of noncompliance, Staff is instructed to direct this behavior to the police and the party will be disqualified from the shelter.)
- Positively No Fighting. (Anyone engaging in fighting will be expelled from the shelter & Staff will direct the matter to the police.)
- Positively No Weapons. (Staff will direct all these matters to the police immediately.)
- Positively No Stealing. (Anyone caught will be disqualified from the shelter, and restoration will become a church matter; if noncompliance occurs, all thefts will become a police matter.)
- Once a week, all items that are left behind by folks who have moved on, will be removed from the host church location, and reused for future guests. (This includes any personal items found and noted to be discarded.)

Nightly Procedural Rules:

- Pickup at Peer Resource Center nightly between 9:45 and 10:00 pm
(when transportation is available)
- Staff, women, and the frail ride first.
- Curfew for sleeping at the shelter is "IN BY MIDNIGHT"
(all exceptions require Staff pre-approval).
- Lights-Out begins at 10:30 through 11:00 pm.
- Kitchen is closed at 11:00 pm.
- Positively No One Leaving the facility through the night.
(Dismissal will be no earlier than 6:00 am unless prior provision from Staff.)
- Positively No One Sleeping in, or wandering into "off-limits" areas.

Morning Procedural Rules:

- Wakeup is 7:00 am.
- Kitchen is closed at 7:45 am.
- Departure is at 8:00 through 8:15 am.
- Anyone riding MUST sign up for a Ride Destination, and be ready to leave at 8:00 am.
- Those who walk must depart at 8:00 am.

I have read and understand the MAIN Street Shelter Rules. Agreeing with them, I will comply in order to receive shelter at this facility. I understand that refusing to comply with these rules is my refusal of shelter.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Please print and sign