### Mission Outpost



Community Resource Center

13801 Fairview Drive

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952-898-9394

Dear Potential Participant,

During this difficult time, we are here to help. Mission Outpost offers help through a network of supportive volunteers. These volunteers are here willingly and without pay to come alongside you through a relationship, offering their time while you resolve current issues causing instability in your life.

Our volunteers have been screened and approved and are ready to walk alongside adults who are experiencing a temporary crisis. (If you are a family with children and are in crisis, we can refer you to Salvation Army's "Pathway of Hope" program.) Adult participants who have reached out to Mission Outpost are striving to resolve struggles such as: actively seeking housing solutions, being overwhelmed after divorce or death of loved one, stabilizing after a health crisis, navigating meeting basic needs while living on fixed income, caught in cycle of paycheck to paycheck living which has led to financial crisis.

We would love to connect you with a volunteer guide who will come alongside you while you are working on your goals to be in a stable place for you and your household. We want to make sure you have a support system to be available to just talk or meet with you in person to support you where you're at.

Mission Outpost volunteers are interested in helping short-term; they are not seeking to develop long-term commitments. Participant commitments within Mission Outpost can last anywhere from a month to six months as long as the participants continue making progress on their goals.

Volunteers would like to help and be a support to you. It is important to know that you are not participating in a formal case management program, nor do we offer financial assistance to resolve your crisis. We are informal support similar to an aunt or uncle from whom you are asking for supportive help while you get back on your feet.

In order to get started, intake paperwork needs to be completed as well as additional forms giving written permission to Mission Outpost to connect with any providers you are working with. Once a volunteer match is found, we will make arrangements to introduce and connect you for support. We hope you will consider participating in the Mission Outpost program. Mission Outpost volunteers will do what they can to help you get back on your feet. Call us to get started at 952-898-9394.

Sincerely,

Mission Outpost Community Resource Center Team



#### **Participant Rights**

- 1. You are making this support arrangement voluntarily. You have a right to request to end the relationship whenever you like, please just let us know. Should you change your mind and desire supportive relationship through Mission Outpost in the future, you are welcome to call again at any time.
- 2. You have a right to have information regarding you and your household kept confidential, though please note that information will be shared as needed amongst the team of approved volunteers supporting you and with the Mission Outpost staff team. Your intake application, any self-assessments and Mission Outpost volunteer and staff notes about their time with you, are kept and stored on a secure online database. You may request to see a copy of these records.
- 3. You have the right to know that all Mission Outpost staff are mandated reporters of suspected abuse and neglect.

#### **Participant Expectations**

- 1. During intake, you will complete a brief self-assessment and be asked about your short-term goals. You will review these documents with Mission Outpost Staff and any other approved volunteers you have been connected to in order to clearly establish expectations. These goals will be reviewed regularly to determine the next steps.
- 2. You will commit to connecting regularly (ideally weekly), by either phone or in person, with your assigned volunteer and any supportive resource volunteers you have been connected to for the duration of the support time. This may include meeting at Mission Outpost or in public places, whatever you are both comfortable with.
- 3. If there are other professionals, therapists or agencies working to support you or your household, we encourage you to agree to information sharing between Mission Outpost and that agency so we can work as a team to best support you and your household. Please fill out an Authorization for Release of Information form if this applies.
- 4. You are responsible for updating Mission Outpost staff and any approved volunteers supporting you as soon as possible with any important changes such as phone number, address, or new information about your situation.
- 5. It is expected that you will address the issues that led to this support arrangement. This may include services, treatment, housing assistance and the like that are offered in your community. If it becomes apparent that you are not addressing issues or are involved in services, Mission Outpost support arrangements may end.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mission Outpost staff to inform them. If your assigned volunteer cannot address your question or concern, Mission Outpost staff are typically available Monday-Thursday from 9am to 5pm.



## PARTICIPANT INTAKE

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Total Number of People Living	in your Household: <i>[65-</i>	Senior_	18-64yrs	Children]
Participant 1:				
Name		DOI	В/	
Address	Ci	ty/State/2	ZIP	
Landline:	Cell Phone:			
Email:		Preferre	d Method: Ca	ll Text Email
Race/Ethnicity:	Language(s) Spoken:			
Religious Preference:	rence: Gender Identity:			
Marital Status: Single, Partnered,	Married, Separated, Divorced	N	Military Servic	e: Yes No
Participant 2:				
Name		DOI	В/	
Address	Ci	ty/State/2	ZIP	
Landline:	Cell Phone:			_
Email:		Preferre	d Method: Ca	ll Text Email
Race/Ethnicity:	Language(s) spok	en:		
Religious Preference:	Gender Identity:			
Marital status: Single, Partnered,	Married, Separated, Divorced	N	Military Servic	e: Yes No
Children in your custody (identify	if sole or joint custody):			
Name	Age	M/F	Grade	
Name				
Name	Age			
Name				
Children not in your custody:				
Name	Age	M/F	Grade	
Name	Age	M/F	Grade	

# **EDUCATION/WORK EXPERIENCE**

Participant 1:				
Highest level of schooling completed: Specialized training or certificate		•	_	College/Trade School
Current Employer Work Location/Phone:				
Previous work experience:				
Participant 2:				
Highest level of schooling completed: Specialized training or certificate		•	_	
Current Employer Work Location/Phone:				
Previous work experience:				
MEDICAL/MENTAL HEALTH HISTOR	Υ			
Participant 1:				
Do you have a medical or mental health diagnosis? Yes No			Describe	
Are you in current need of medical treatment? Yes No				
Are you in current need of mental health treatment? Yes No				
Do you have a history of drug or alcohol use? Yes No			Describe	
Are you in current need of drug or alcohol treatment? Yes No				
Participant 2:				
Do you have a medical or mental healt	h diagno	osis? Yes No	Describe	
Are you in current need of medical treatment? Yes No				
Are you in current need of mental health treatment? Yes No				
Do you have a history of drug and alcohol use? Yes No				
Are you in current need of drug or alcohol treatment? Yes No				

### **SOCIAL SUPPORT INFORMATION**

Please share any extended family members, close friends, or neighbors nearby that are a support to you.

Name	Relationship
Which public assistance/service do you currently rec	eive, or have you received in the past 5 years?
SNAP MFIP WIC SSI Energy Assis	tance Emergency Assistance
Public Healthcare Childcare Assistance	•
Are you currently working with any other supportive	agencies or case workers? Yes No
If yes, please provide Name and Contact Information	
in yes, pieuse provide Name and Contact information	
Have you ever been involved with child protective se	rvices? Yes No
If yes, when and what services were received:	
in yes, when and what services were received.	
Have you ever been involved with domestic violence	services? Yes No
If yes, when and what services were received:	
Have you ever been charged with a crime? Yes No	If yes, were you convicted? Yes No
If yes, when and what was the charge?	
Have you been incarcerated? Yes No	
Do you have pending court hearings? Yes No Desc	cribe
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Would you like referrals for any of the following needs (please circle):

Employment	Spiritual Support	Transportation	Reading/Literacy	Medical	Immigration
Housing	Counseling	Donations/Supplies	Legal	Drug Treatment	Help with Child/Grandchild
Education	Support/Mentor	Meals/Food	Financial	Job Search	

## **EXPERIENCES**

I have had these experiences:

Abused Alcohol	Mental Health Counseling	Suicidal Thoughts
Domestic Violence	Physical Abuse	Drug Usage
Financial Problems	Sexual Abuse	Victim of Crime
Homelessness	Rape	

I struggle with these emotions:

Anger	Depression	Fears
Anxiety	Emptiness	Guilt
Hopelessness	Nervousness	Overwhelmed
Loneliness	Sadness	

GOALS AND STRENGTHS		
What is your reason for seeking su	pport from Mission Outpost?	
What are your primary goals to be	in a place where you feel that you can be stable?	
	in a place where you feel that you can be stable?	
Goal 1:		
Goal 2:		
Goal 3:		
What personal attributes, strength goals?	s, or resources do you have that will be helpful in achieving your	
I acknowledge that I have provided	I this information voluntarily, truthfully and to the best of my ability	<i>/</i> .
Participant Signature	Date	

INTAKE NOTES	
Impressions:	
Recommendations:	
Intake Worker's Name:	



## PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT

Dear \_\_\_\_\_ (assigned volunteer),

I, (participant), residing at
(location), am the voluntary participant in this program and accept for you to act as my guide beginning  (date to start). I anticipate I should be in an increasingly stable position by  (estimated end date-may not exceed 6 months) at which time this agreement will
end unless I ask, and you are willing to allow, this agreement to continue.
I pledge to use this time to work on the necessary changes to be in an improved, more stable position. This specifically refers to situations that led me to seek support from you. I acknowledge that you are offering this help out of a spirit of generosity and compassion and that you are not being paid for this ac of kindness. Thank you so much for helping me at this critical time.
By signing this document, I agree that no promises are made to me regarding results, benefits and/or outcomes. Mission Outpost staff and volunteers will strive to do their/its best under the circumstance to assist me with my goals and needs. I agree that by signing this document myself and/or my household acknowledges that Mission Outpost, its staff, and volunteers are held harmless from any and all liability to myself and/or my household.
I also agree, on behalf of myself and my household, that none of us will hold any of the involved parties (including Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Mission Outpost, assigned volunteers and supporting resource volunteers) responsible or liable for any injuries, death or other losses including financial losses or damages of any kind that I or the rest of my household may suffer or incur arising out of or related to our participation or involvement with Mission Outpost program, your actions or omissions or this agreement.

Name	eRelationship		
Phone	_Address		
Email			
Permission to Participate in Outcome Fo	ollow-Up Surveys		
participating in outcome surveys that wi	on Outpost staff or volunteers to contact me for the purpose of ill measure how Mission Outpost has impacted my life, and my erstand that I may be contacted by phone and/or email.		
Yes, I agree to participate and to be cont	tacted for outcome surveys (initials)		
No, I do not agree to participate and to I	be contacted outcome surveys (initials)		
Participant #1 Signature			
Participant #1 Signature	Date		
Participant #2 Signature			
Witnesses. I saw the participant sign this participant.	s document. Then I signed this as a witness in the presence of th		
Mission Outpost Staff			
Assigned Volunteer			



### **OPTIONAL AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

Participant's Name:	Date
•	ion from Mission Outpost to the following individual ndividual and/or agency to Mission Outpost.
Individual/Agency Name:	
Individual/Agency Address:	
•	release information received from third parties. eed to request third party information from the third
I understand that this information obtaine receiving individual/agency.	ed will be treated in a confidential manner by the
This authorization is valid from:	to (6 months maximum)
•	ase of records is voluntary, and I can withdraw my thdraw my consent, it does not apply to information prior consent for release.
Participant Signature	 Date