CODE OF ETHICS FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

1. I will be conscious of the fact that everything I do, directly or indirectly, has the potential to reflect upon the University of Dayton or any of the community partners that I am interacting with.

   I will hold myself to the highest possible standard of professional conduct/service in the ways that I act, dress, and speak. I understand that my actions are still governed by the University of Dayton’s student code of conduct.

2. I agree to fulfill my community service activity at my designated community service site. I will attempt to participate in all activities for which I am physically and emotionally able. I will arrive on time and fully participate for the entire allotted time.

   If I am unable to be present for my scheduled time, I agree to find a replacement, immediately notify my community partner contact, and provide him or her with the contact information of the student replacing me as a volunteer.

3. I agree to actively and fully participate in the volunteer experience as well as the reflection experiences. I agree to be positive, intentional, and reflective during the volunteer experience.

4. I will recognize and respect the worth, dignity and uniqueness of all persons, and will at all times treat clients, customers, staff, and fellow volunteers with respect, regardless of race, color, gender, sexual orientation, age, religion, national origin, marital status, political belief, mental or physical disability, or any types of discrimination based on personal characteristics, conditions or status.

5. I will actively work to expand choices and opportunities for all people with special regard for those who are poor and other oppressed groups of people. I will actively work to prevent practices that are inhumane or discriminatory against any person or group of persons.

6. I will never knowingly contribute to enabling a client’s irresponsible behavior, or put my own safety or the safety of others at risk.

7. I understand that, as a volunteer, I am not permitted to drive clients or community members or invite them into my home for any reason.

8. I will avoid exploitation of volunteer relationships for personal gain. I will at no time accept monetary gifts from customers, clients, or residents without prior approval of the program manager.

9. I will not be under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol while engaged with the community.

10. I will respect the privacy of customers, clients and residents and hold in confidence all information obtained while volunteering, including:

    a. I will not disclose confidential information regarding any facet of the program or its participants without prior approval from senior management;
    b. I will not acknowledge to anyone outside the agency that an individual is a participant, client, customer, resident or recipient of any agency program or services;
    c. I will not discuss or reveal confidential information regarding fellow volunteers.

I have read, fully understand, and agree to abide by the Code of Ethics for Community Engagement. I have been oriented on and understand the University’s values, policies, and procedures for community engagement and have been made aware of potential risks and liability I may assume.

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Signature of Volunteer                  Date

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Printed Name