



THE DIOUF FOUNDATION

FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

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House Rules Addendum

"A Fresh Start with Dignity and Support"

This House Rules Addendum outlines the daily living expectations, responsibilities, and guidelines that all residents must follow while participating in the housing program. These rules support a safe, respectful, and structured community environment. Failure to follow these rules may result in warnings, loss of privileges, or discharge from the program.

1. Daily Living & Behavior

- **Curfew:** All residents must be inside the home by **10:00 PM** unless otherwise approved.
- **Quiet Hours:** Daily from **10:00 PM – 7:00 AM** to respect others' rest.
- **Cleanliness:** Residents are expected to keep personal areas clean and participate in **weekly chore rotations**.
- **Shared Spaces:** Keep kitchens, bathrooms, and common areas clean after use.
- **Laundry:** Use designated laundry times and respect shared schedules.

2. Prohibited Activities

- No **alcohol, illegal drugs, or marijuana** (even with a prescription) on or around the property.
- No **physical violence, verbal abuse, or threats** toward residents or staff.
- No **stealing, vandalism, or property damage**.
- No **weapons** of any kind allowed on the premises.
- No **romantic or sexual relationships** between residents while in the program.

3. Guests & Visitation

- **No overnight guests** allowed under any circumstances.
- **Day guests** are only allowed with **prior staff approval**.
- You are responsible for the behavior of your guest(s).
- Visitors are only allowed in **designated areas** and must follow all house rules.

4. Program Participation

- Residents must attend:
 - Scheduled **house meetings** (unless excused)
 - Scheduled **case management sessions**

5. Belongings & Room Use

- Personal rooms are subject to **routine wellness checks** by staff.
- Do not enter another resident's room without permission.
- Limit personal items to designated storage areas.
- No space heaters, hot plates, or open flames in bedrooms.
- No smoking indoors (designated outside area only).

6. Emergency Procedures

- Fire drills will be held regularly—participation is mandatory.
- In case of fire, medical emergency, or danger, follow posted evacuation routes and call 911 if needed.
- Report unsafe or suspicious behavior immediately to staff.

7. Three-Tier Violation System

To promote accountability and growth:

- **1st Violation:** Verbal warning and documentation
- **2nd Violation:** Written warning and behavior plan
- **3rd Violation:** Possible dismissal from the program

Some violations may result in **immediate discharge**, including:

- Threats or violence
- Possession or use of drugs/alcohol
- Tampering with security systems
- Criminal activity on-site

8. Acknowledgment

By signing below, I agree to follow these house rules as a condition of living at The Diouf Foundation for Independent Living. I understand these rules exist to maintain a safe, respectful, and healing environment.

Participant Name (print): _____

Participant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Staff Signature: _____ **Date:** _____