

# **Resident Membership Agreement**

## **Aspire Austin**

Offers housing and support to individuals with sex-crime records who are committed to making a fresh start. We believe everyone deserves the opportunity to leave the past behind and work toward a better future, regardless of their history or challenges.

## **This Membership Agreement**

This agreement outlines your rights and responsibilities as a resident member of Aspire Austin. Please read it carefully. If you have any questions, ask before signing. Once signed, you will be held accountable for the terms outlined. As a member, not a tenant, you must comply with Aspire's rules, and we reserve the right to terminate the agreement if those rules are not followed.

## **Our Responsibilities**

We commit to:

- Providing a safe and supportive environment.
- Checking in regularly on your well-being and safety.
- Allowing access to common areas for social interaction.
- Offering space for your personal food.
- Maintaining plumbing, electricity, and appliances.
- Addressing any issues that threaten a safe, clean environment, including behavioral problems or maintenance issues.
- Communicating with your support team (parole/probation officers, caseworkers, etc.) as needed.
- Providing emergency support if required.

## **Your Responsibilities**

By signing, you agree to:

- Follow all court-ordered conditions of probation or parole.
- Abstain from drugs and alcohol.
- Actively work on your success plan.
- Schedule and attend necessary appointments.
- Manage medication refills and transportation.
- Participate in school, work, volunteer activities, or mandated therapy.
- Attend weekly house meetings.
- Complete assigned household chores.
- Cooperate with staff requests, including drug testing.

## **Your Rights as a Resident**

As a resident, you have the right to:

- A supportive environment that helps you succeed.
- Freedom from abuse and to be treated with dignity and respect.
- Keep personal property that does not compromise safety or health.
- Receive and send unopened mail.
- Be informed of any changes to rights, policies, or procedures.
- Choose to leave, with an understanding of the consequences.

**I have been informed of my rights and responsibilities as listed above.**

Resident Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Financial Responsibility Agreement

### Residency Fee:

All Aspire Austin residents are required to pay a **monthly residency fee of \$2000**. Subsequent payments are due monthly on the date of move-in. For example, if a resident moves in on May 15<sup>th</sup>, the next month's fee will be due April 15<sup>th</sup>. **The residency fee must be paid in full and paid on time in order to continue living in an Aspire Austin home.**

**Terms are a 12 month commitment with an option to renew at the end of 12 months for an additional 12 month term. All payments are reported to credit bureaus.** In most cases your loved one has already co-signed for the financial responsibility so that you may reside at an Aspire property.

Refunds: **Aspire Austin does not provide residency fee refunds.** If you are discharged or leave for any reason there are no refunds.

Payment Processing: Payments can be made directly on our website.

Resident Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## House Rules

Residents in all Aspire Austin homes are expected to comply with the following rules: **Initial each.**

**Pornographic/Obscene Material:** No pornographic or obscene material allowed, including on personal devices.

**Identify your electronic devices:** All electronic devices are monitored. Provide device MAC addresses/IPs for unrecognized devices.

**Parole or probation requirements:** Follow all parole/probation terms. Aspire Austin rules don't override them.

**Substance abuse:** No drugs, alcohol, or mind-altering substances allowed. Any relapse may lead to removal.

**Drug/Alcohol Testing:** Submit to drug tests on request. Refusal equals immediate termination.

**Smoking:** Smoking and/or vaping is allowed in designated areas only.

**Stealing** is prohibited. Please note that taking food from others without permission will be considered stealing.

**Respecting Others:** No destruction of property; respect others' privacy, belongings, and behavior.

**Money:** No lending or borrowing of money between residents.

**Relationships** No romantic, sexual, or business relationships among residents. Sexual activity is prohibited.

**Inspections:** Staff may inspect rooms, vehicles, and belongings for cleanliness and safety.

**Maintaining the Home:** Residents agree to keep the premises in good condition, repairs will be addressed within a reasonable timeframe. Turn off lights, TVs, fans, etc., when not in use. **Do not leave personal items in any community space of the home. Your belongings stay in your designated space.**

**Medication:** Residents must inform the staff of all new and existing prescribed medications *immediately*. At staff's discretion medication may be stored in a secure locker, to be monitored by the staff. Any manipulation of a practitioner or "doctor shopping" will be treated as a relapse.

**Suspected Relapses:** Residents must report suspected use of drugs or alcohol by another resident to staff immediately this includes knowledge of another member viewing pornography or inappropriate actions.

**House Meetings:** Attend mandatory weekly house meetings (Sundays at 7 PM).

**Chores:** Complete assigned chores and maintain clean personal space.

**Curfews:** Follow curfews (10 PM daily). Lights out in common areas by 11 PM. Parole/probation may have earlier curfews.

**Noise:** Keep noise, including TV, down between 10:30 PM - 7:30 AM

**Guests:** No guests of the opposite sex unless immediate family. Guests must stay in common areas. No overnight guests.

**Loitering:** Residents may not hang out on the street or outside in the front of the property.

**In-house employment:** No paid employment from other residents or staff.

**Vehicles:** All vehicles must be licensed, insured, and documented. Auto repair requires staff approval.

**Being Neighborly:** Be respectful to neighbors. Use designated parking areas and avoid offensive language.

**Confidentiality/Social Media:** No sharing information about other residents on social media.

**Note:** These rules may be updated. Changes will be communicated at weekly house meetings.

**I acknowledge by signing this form that I have received and understood the house rules for residents at Aspire Austin. I understand that failure to abide by these rules may result in expulsion from the home.**

Resident Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_