



Boundaries Protocol for Volunteers

Purpose: This document outlines the boundaries that must be in place between a volunteer and a resident at The O'Connor House.

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Overview:

1. I will not give out my personal phone number, email, address, or Facebook account to any house residents.
2. I will not collect personal phone numbers, email, addresses, or Facebook accounts of any house residents.
3. I will not engage in physical touches such as an extended hug, kiss, or hand holding with the residents.
4. I will not share or discuss my own personal life with the residents.
 - a. Although I may be able to relate to residents, when a resident discloses information, I will spend this opportunity listening and discussing *their* experiences, rather than my own.
 - b. If I feel as if sharing my experience with a resident will be helpful, I will seek guidance from leadership at The O'Connor House.
5. I will not use my own funds to support resident needs/wants that are not assumed by The O'Connor House.
6. If I happen to be contacted by a resident outside of The O'Connor House, I will notify The O'Connor House before furthering contact.
 - a. If the contact occurs in-person and is unavoidable, I will contact The O'Connor House immediately following the interaction.

As a volunteer of The O'Connor House, I will adhere to the above boundary protocol. I understand that any breach of this agreement may result in my dismissal from my staff or volunteer position.

Volunteer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Supervisor Signature: _____ Date: _____