

## RESIDENT'S HANDBOOK

### OF JERI'S HOUSE

January 16, 2017

#### I. ELIGIBILITY

1. Individuals must meet the definition of DeafBlind as stated by the Helen Keller National Center, which states that a person must be legally blind which is having 20/200 in the better eye with correction or a field vision of less than 20 degrees, and hearing must be severe enough to impede everyday life activities. This attestation must be signed by a physician or authorized personnel having a knowledge of such disability.
2. Individuals must be of minimum age of eighteen (18).
3. Individuals must pay one-half of their monthly income not to exceed \$500 monthly per person to Jeri's House to cover household expenses. If individuals do not receive any monthly income, the individual must pay \$250.00 per month. This monthly amount is subject to change according to current economic status.
4. Individuals must desire to learn all aspects of independent living to transition to their own personal residence. Upon completion of personal goals set by the individual, assistance will be provided to help the individual relocate to their own residence with ongoing support. Ongoing support includes but not limited to advocacy, adjustment, and informational resources. Support does not include financial assistance.

#### II. PERSONAL ROOMS

1. Individuals must keep their private bedrooms clean at all times which includes but not limited to beds made, vacuumed and dusted, trash picked up and thrown away in the trashcans, clothes picked up off the floor, no food or drinks left out, and no piles of clutter,.
2. Individuals must keep bathrooms cleaned which includes but not limited to cleaning sinks, toilets, showers, floor, towels hung and trash emptied.
3. Individuals may bring personal furnishings to replace items in their personal rooms with written permission from a staff of Jeri's House. Furnishing must be clean and not damaged.
4. Individuals must protect all of their own personal possessions such as jewelry, technology devices, money or any other personal items. Jeri's House is not responsible or liable for any lost or stolen personal items.

### III. HOUSE RULES

1. Individuals must not partake of alcohol or tobacco on premises.
2. Individuals are not allowed to enter or visit each other in resident's private bedrooms.
3. Individuals must respect quiet time which is from 10 pm to 7 am.
4. Individuals must maintain their own personal laundry.
5. Individuals must maintain personal hygiene.
6. Individuals must clean up after themselves in all areas of the house.
7. Individuals must participate in all house activities unless otherwise excused by a staff member of Jeri's House.
8. Individuals must participate in household duties which include but not limited to kitchen details, preparing meals, lawn care, upkeep of living room and classroom areas. Duties will be rotated bi-monthly.
9. Individuals must participate in all classes for learning Braille, sign language, craft, and support groups. Bible studies are optional but strongly encouraged. If for any reason a resident cannot participate, approval must be given by a staff of Jeri's House.
10. Individuals must be able to administer their own medication. Staffs at Jeri's House are not liable for residents personal care. If residents feel ill or experiences a medical emergency, their physician or an ambulance will be notified.
11. Individuals must notify a staff when they leave the premises for any reason.
12. Individuals must attend all meals unless otherwise excused by a staff member of Jeri's House.
13. Individuals must be polite and considerate of others in the house at all times, must not speak negatively or use foul language.