

## **STAND Requirements and Rules**

The STAND Program is a voluntary program for those individuals who seek to change their lives. The program is built on a concept of hard-work, honesty, commitment, responsibility and accountability. Upon an applicant's request to be considered for the STAND Program, the coordinator will complete a STEP Assessment. The assessment is a brief overview of the applicant's personal information, family and work history, education, drug/alcohol abuse and/or distribution, mental and criminal history. The assessment will guide the Taskforce in understanding the needs and history of the participant and his/her family. The assessment is required prior to entry into the program. The Taskforce will convene to determine the eligibility of the applicant into the program. The Taskforce will decide the programs based on the STEP Assessment. An evaluation of the participant's progress will be completed to determine if additional programs are needed for optimal success.

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### **Rules and Requirements of the Program**

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. Honesty is an absolute in the program. The participant must be honest with ALL those involved in the program. Lies and manipulation are tools utilized by those who seek to continue down the path of self-destruction.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. The participant must meet ALL requirements of the program prior to employment assistance and recommendation.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. The participant must make ALL scheduled appointments and be on-time at those meeting locations. If a participant has an emergency that requires him/her to miss a scheduled meeting they must contact the STAND Coordinator and the party with whom the meeting was scheduled to advise those parties of the issue. If a participant is going to be late (by 1 minute) he/she is to contact the party with whom the meeting is scheduled to advise them of the delay.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. The participant is prohibited from the use of drugs in the STAND Program. The participant is subject to random drug testing at the request of the STAND Coordinator and/or the Taskforce. A positive drug test will result in a probationary period pending a re-evaluation of the participant's eligibility in the program. The Taskforce will make the determination for continued eligibility in the program or termination of the process. This process will be based on a case by case basis. All factors and progress made by the participant within the program will be considered.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. The participant will be expected to participate in community service during the course of the program. The participant is encouraged to volunteer in programs within their community and report those activities to the STAND Coordinator with contact information of

those responsible for the event. The Taskforce and the STAND Coordinator will assign community service work to the participant which MUST be fulfilled.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. The participant must not be involved in or be in the company of those violating any criminal statutes (state or federal). If a participant is arrested while actively participating in the program they will be immediately terminated from the program. If a participant is found to be in the company of those committing criminal acts they will be placed in a probationary status. The Task Force will make the determination for continued eligibility in the program or termination of the process. The participant will not be in the \*company of a convicted felon (\*a request for consideration can be submitted if the person is a caretaker or support member

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. The participant must reveal all concerns or problems he/she is having during the course of the program. Communication is essential in assigning the correct programs and support teams. If the participant does not communicate effectively with the coordinator, mentors and/or WR1 members the success factor will be decreased exponentially. In other words, BE HONEST!

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. The Taskforce and the STAND coordinator will work diligently to assist the participant through all issues and concerns in the process of the program. However, the participant is ultimately responsible for making all scheduled appointments and complying with program rules.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. The participant will notify his/her case agent immediately (must not exceed 24 hours) upon coming in contact with any law enforcement officer.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. The participant will attend three (3) AA (alcoholics anonymous) and/or NA (Narcotics Anonymous) each week which will be verified on the provided roll call sheet to be turned into the case agent at the end of each week.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. Not to be in the company of anyone linked to or actively involved in gang activity.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. To abide by the specified dress code for the program to include clothing, hair style, facial hair, make-up, jewelry and accessories.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. The participant will pay it forward, by being a mentor for one year after I graduate from the program.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. The STAND Coordinator will conduct home visits to assess the impact of the program on the family unit. This requirement allows for continued assessment of the family's needs. The participant must comply with all recommendations set forth by the committee in reference to safety and environmental issues concerning the family unit.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree. The participant must have reliable transportation to all appointments and meetings.

I \_\_\_\_\_, agree to the aforementioned rules of the STAND Program. I understand that is a voluntary program and I have read the rules and regulations set forth by the STAND Program and Taskforce. I understand the terms and conditions of my participation in the programs. I understand that I may be removed from the program at any time upon violation of the program rules or if it is determined that I am not fully committed to the process. I will attribute my successes and my failures in the program as a direct result of my own actions and commitment. I will take accountability for my past and take control and responsibility for my future. I am not a product of my past rather an example of the limitless potential for my future. I will not make excuses or complain about my life. I will work hard, I will be committed and I will succeed in making the changes necessary for my family, my community and myself. My failures are my decisions, my successes are my struggles and my life is my choice.

Participant \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_