ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT

The YMCA of Greater Louisville, Chestnut Street Branch, is a multi-purpose social service center that provides Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Supportive Housing for homeless males who are able to maintain themselves in independent living. The minimum age is eighteen (18) years.

While living in the YMCA, you agree to abide by the housing rules, which follow. They are intended to make the YMCA safe, clean and comfortable. Violation of the rules can and will lead to eviction.

1. PLEASE RESPECT THE YMCA, ITS EMPLOYEES, TENANTS, PARTICIPANTS AND MEMBERS: It is expected that you will respect the YMCA, its property, volunteers, and everyone involved with it. This includes not committing crimes against the YMCA or anyone involved with the YMCA.

2. EMERGENCY EXITS ARE FOR EMERGENCY USE ONLY – Do not open the emergency exit doors on the 10th street side of the building (first floor). Use the front doors to enter and leave the building. Entrances are locked in the evenings. The desk clerk on duty will buzz you through the door. Stay off the fire escape unless there is a fire.

3. GUESTS - All guests must register at the front desk in the YMCA lobby. Only residents will be allowed in the building after 9:00 PM.

4. NO GUESTS, FRIENDS OR RELATIVES are permitted on the residence floors. All guests must be entertained in the front lobby on the first floor.

5. THE FRONT LOBBY is not for sleeping, drinking or excessive noise. Please do not “hang out” in the front lobby unless you have a guest or other business to attend to there.

6. ROOM RENT – Rent is due on the 1st of each month. The rooms here are subsidized through Louisville Metro Housing Authority and the rent is income based (i.e. a tenant pays 30% of their income and people without income are also accepted).

7. ROOM OCCUPANCY – The room rented shall be occupied only by the person to whom it is rented. Neither the YMCA nor any of its employees will be responsible for the loss or damage of any item by fire, theft or other cause. Please keep the room door locked at all times when not occupying the room. Any YMCA staff member or assigned security officer may request that a Tenant show his room key or YMCA identification card at any time for identification purposes.

8. NO COOKING IN ROOMS – City law prohibits cooking in sleeping rooms. Residents are not permitted to use hot plates, toasters, coffee pot, or other electrical cooking devices in their rooms.

I understand breaking any of these violations can and lead to immediate eviction. I also understand breaking any three violations will lead to immediate eviction.
9. **ELECTRICAL HEATERS** are NOT permitted. They are a fire hazard and can overload electrical circuits.

10. **NO PETS** are permitted in the resident’s rooms.

11. **CLEANLINESS** – Residents are expected to keep their room clean and sanitary. Rooms will be checked on a regular basis by staff to assure cleanliness. **Staff also reserves the right to perform a room inspection on any room, at any given time – without notice.**

12. **CHOSES** - You will be assigned a chore. It is to be completed daily by 12 noon.

13. **HOUSEKEEPING SERVICE:** A limited supply of linen will be provided at check-in. Pest control, health department officials and other necessary officials will be given access to residential rooms as necessary with a staff member present.

14. **ROOMS** Residents are expected to keep their room in as good condition as they found them. Nails or tacks must not be driven into woodwork. Posters or pictures must not be stuck to the walls. The occupant will be charged for damages, alterations to furniture or fixtures or walls other than ordinary wear. Note the condition of your room when you first enter it and report any damage to walls or furniture to the person making the room condition report. Residents are responsible for damage that may result from their negligence.

15. **PERSONAL APPEARANCE** Residents are expected to be dressed appropriately in the common areas. This includes personal hygiene.

16. **NO TRASH OR GARBAGE IN HALLWAYS OR STAIRWELLS** – Bathroom trash containers are for bathroom items. Other trash is to be placed in containers in the YMCA dumpster on the parking lot.

17. **FIRE EQUIPMENT FOR EMERGENCY USE ONLY** – Use of fire extinguishers for any other purpose is strictly prohibited and can lead to fines or imprisonment under city law.

18. **NO SMOKING IN BED OR IN THE BUILDING – THIS IS A COMPLETELY NON-SMOKING FACILITY. THIS INCLUDES THE BUILDING AND PARKING LOT.**

19. **DO NOT THROW OR HANG** anything out of the windows.

20. **KEEP NOISE WITHIN LIMITS** – Please keep the noise in your room to a respectable volume at all times. In order to convenience the greater number, residents are asked to refrain from loud talking, singing, use of radio, TV, or other unnecessary noise after 11:00 PM.

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21. **PERSONAL CONDUCT/DRUG/ALCOHOL BEVERAGE/GUNS** – It is assumed that the residents will at all times conduct themselves as gentlemen and in harmony with the ideals of the YMCA. **Gambling, profanity, the use of alcoholic beverages, the use of illegal drugs, the possession of and/or the use of firearms of deadly weapons, all are prohibited and shall be sufficient cause for eviction.**

(The presence of any questionable pictures or posters in the residence rooms are positively prohibited and shall be sufficient cause for eviction.) Threatening behavior, be it verbal or physical, is prohibited on or off the premises of the YMCA against anyone, including but not limited to staff members, visitors, employees, guest, or another tenant, is prohibited and shall be sufficient cause for eviction. There shall be **NO PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS OR INTOXICATION!** Public intoxication is prohibited and shall also be sufficient cause for eviction.

22. **YMCA PHYSICAL FACILITIES/PROGRAMS** – Residency does not automatically entitle you to participate in activities without membership or payment of services rendered. Adult Memberships are available (see resident counselor).

23. **ABSENCE** – If you plan to be absent from your room for a week or longer, you must notify the resident counselor.

24. **KEYS** – Each resident receives a key to his room. If you lose your key **$10.00** will be withheld from your deposit. This applies to your mailbox key as well.

25. **MOVING** – When you leave your room and its furnishings and decorations are to be in the same condition as they were when you moved in. Allowance is made for reasonable use or wear and tear.

26. **REFUND** – Within thirty days (30) of your leaving, management will refund your deposit or furnish you with a statement of claims made against it.

27. **SECURITY DEPOSIT** can be used for unpaid rent, missing property, damage to the room or its contents, court costs and fees, storage of personal property and missing property.

28. **MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS**
   - Residents must meet quarterly with resident counselor or upon notification.
   - Residents are required by the housing agreement to meet together at least monthly to discuss concerns and make recommendations to the staff.
   - Must be employed or involved in one of the following:
     1. Employed
     2. Volunteering services
     3. Enrolled in school or in a valid training program
     4. Give consent to be TB tested

I hereby agree to abide by the rules as so stated in the YMCA Chestnut Street Branch Articles of Agreement. **I understand that violating any of these rules may result in eviction.**

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Resident Signature                  Date

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