

Admittance Criteria

Requirements For The Patriot House:

- § Currently homeless.
- § A Veteran
- § Male 18 years of age or older.
- § Negative drug and alcohol screening prior to admission.
- § If on medication, able and willing to self-medicate
- § Employed, unemployed or underemployed (but employable, or have income).
- § Ability to live in a group environment setting
- § Willing to submit to random alcohol and drug testing.
- § Willing to participate in all mandatory program activities.
- § Willing to submit to a criminal background check and reference check.
- § Willing and able to save money towards permanent housing and willing to pay program fees.
- § Have the ability to follow staff directions.
- § Have the ability to communicate with staff both verbally and in writing.

Client's applications will be reviewed in the order they were received. Clients that are deemed eligible will be housed on a first come first serve basis.

If accepted into our program you will be expected to establish a housing plan in the first 30 days, during which time you will also be indoctrinated into our program. All clients receiving income are required to pay twenty to thirty percent program fees, based on income. And, eighty per cent (80%) of your pay must be put into a savings account in preparation for going out on your own.

You will also find information about the Arundel House of Hope and the many programs that are available through them. In 1992, we began with Winter Relief, an emergency shelter program for homeless men and women. In 2001, we opened The Fouse Center, the first transitional housing program for homeless men in AA County. We provide comprehensive support services, including substance abuse, mental health, healthcare, and employment support. In 2004, we opened a new permanent Supportive Housing Program for the homeless and disabled. In 2006, we opened our Resource and Day Center in Glen Burnie. This year we hope to have our health clinic and veterans housing open.

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to give us a call.

Signature

Date

PATRIOT HOUSE

Policy for Clients Personal Medication and Self Administration

All clients in Arundel House of Hope programs including but not limited to Winter Relief, all Safe Haven Programs, all Community House Programs, The Fouse Center and The Patriot House must be psychically and mentally able to self-administer medications. For the purposes of this policy, "self-administration" means carrying and taking medication without the intervention of an Arundel House of Hope Staff member. Clients unable to self-administer medications will not be admitted to the above-named programs. At the clients request staff will provide a secure and locked location for medication to be stored. Both client and staff with have key access to this location. At the client's request, a staff member *may* help in the organization of medication (pill box), ordering of medication, doctor appointment scheduling and pharmaceutical pick up. At no time will a staff member administer medications to a client, willing or unwilling. Over the counter medication may be kept on site and given to clients to self-administer at their request.

All clients

*For purposes of this policy, "medication" means any prescription drug or over-the-counter medicine or nutritional supplement.

**For the purposes of this policy, "self- administration" means carrying and taking medication without the intervention of an Arundel House of Hope Staff member.

**Potential Clients who are currently on controlled substances (Oxycodone, Methadone, Suboxone, Benzodiazepines etc.) are not eligible for the Patriot House. The program does not have a medical staff and cannot ensure the safety of these clients and other clients as well (in addition, misuse of controlled substances can be dangerous to all party's concerned).

Signature

Date

The Patriot House – Transitional Housing for Homeless Veterans

4103 Ritchie Highway
Brooklyn, Maryland 21225
Phone (410) 863-4888, Ext. 153
Fax (410) 589-0523

APPLICATION / REFERRAL FORM

Client's applications will be reviewed in the order they were received. All eligible clients must meet the above criteria as well as being homeless and sober upon admittance.

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION (To ensure that this form can be processed make sure that you complete everything on this application).

Date: _____

Applicant's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone number: _____ Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Emergency Contact: Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Relationship: _____

Referral Source: Name: _____

Organization/Agency: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

- Street outreach worker Social Service staff Church staff
- Psychiatric hospital staff PHA waiting list Unknown
- Mental Health Outpatient Clinic Emergency or transitional shelter staff
- Other (specify) _____

Primary Disability

- Mental illness Alcohol Abuse Substance Abuse
- HIV/AIDS and related diseases Physical Disability
- Domestic Violence Other (specify) _____

Please check all the applicable forms you currently possess (Note: all other forms will be required once accepted into the program, and the case manager can assist if needed).

- DD214 Valid Driver's License or State ID Birth Certificate
 Social Security Card Award Letter Legal Issues or Probation
 Employment Verification (if employed)

RENTAL/HOUSING INFORMATION

Current Living Situation

Are you Homeless? Y N How long have you been homeless? _____

Where are you currently living? _____

How long have you been there? _____

Have you been on the street &/or emergency shelter for a continuous year or more? Y N

Have you been on the street &/or emergency shelter 4 times or more within the last three years:

Y N

Have you ever applied to The Fouse Center in the past? Y N

If yes, did you come into the program? Y N If yes, what year _____

Have you been discharged from any facility? Y N

If yes, list type of facility _____

Who was your last landlord? (Include relative if you paid rent):

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

If relative, state how you are related: _____

Rent \$ _____ per month. Dates lived there? _____ to _____

Primary reason for current homelessness (check all that apply):

- Evicted from rental housing Left over-crowded shared arrangements
 Asked to leave by family/roommate Unemployed Fled abusive violence
 Hospitalization Other (explain): _____

Prior Living Situation

- Street Emergency shelter Transitional Psychiatric facility*
 Hospital* Substance abuse treatment facility* Incarceration*
 Domestic-violence Situation Living with relatives/friends Rental Housing
 Place not meant for Habitation
 Other (specify) _____

**If you were in one of these facilities less than 30 days refer to living situation prior to entering the facility.*

Have you ever lived independently? Y N If yes, type of housing _____

Length of time in that housing _____

Are you on a waiting list for permanent housing? Y N

Have you ever lived in a group home (if so, what are they? Y N

If yes, list names of group homes, length of stay, and reasons for leaving:

DEMOGRAPHICS

Gender: M F

Marital Status Single Married Living Together
 Separated Divorced Widowed

Ethnicity: Hispanic Non-Hispanic or Non-Latino

Race: American Indian/Alaskan Native Asian/Pacific Islander
 Black/African American Asian & White
 Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander White
 American Indian/Alaskan Native & White
 Black/African American & White Other Multiracial
 American Indian/Alaskan Native & Black/African American

State of Residency: MD City/County _____
 Out of state Date moved to MD (mo./yr.) _____

Veteran: Y N Branch _____ Yrs. of Service _____
Type of Discharge _____

TRANSPORTATION USED

Private Transportation Public Transportation

FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Your **total gross monthly** income including money from any assistance sources)

No income \$1 – 150 \$151 – 250 \$251 – 500 \$501 – 1,000 \$1,000 – 1,500
 \$1,500-2000 \$2000+

Income/Assistance Sources (Enter the monthly amount next to the source)

\$_____Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	\$_____Social Security
\$_____Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)	\$_____Veterans Benefits
\$_____Public Assistance	\$_____Food Stamps
\$_____State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)	\$_____Medicaid
\$_____Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF)	\$_____Veterans Health Care
\$_____Employment Income	\$_____Unemployment
\$_____No Financial Resources	
\$_____Other (specify)_____	

Total Monthly Income and other benefits: \$_____

EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION HISTORY

Veteran: Y N Branch: _____ Years of Service: _____

What was your rank? _____

Where and when did you serve: _____

Where you honorable discharged? If not, what type, explain: Y N

Are you able to work: Y N?

Are you currently employed? Y N

List your current employer, **or** your *last employer* if not currently employed:

Company Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

Supervisor: _____ Shift: _____

Wage: _____ Job Title: _____

List any specialized job skills or training _____

How many full-time jobs have you had in the past 3 years? 1 or fewer 2-3 or more

How you ever been disciplined by an employer for either poor attendance or performance problems? Y N

Do you have any employment experience – including part-time, full time or volunteer experience?

Y N

Are you currently attending any type of schooling? Yes No

If yes, Where: _____

What for: _____

How many years of high school have you complete? _____

Did you graduate from high school or get a GED? Yes No

Did you attend college or university Yes No?

Major or Course of Study: _____

Name of School: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Did you attend any other type of school (vocational, trade school)? Yes No

Name of School: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Have you graduated, received a certificate or a degree from this school: Yes No

Major or Course of Study: _____

Do you have any special license(s) or certifications? Yes No

License(s) or Certification held: _____

List any other skills you have (typing, computers, driving, forklift, etc.): _____

Banking Information

Do you have a savings account? Y N

Do you have a checking account? Y N

If yes:

Where is this account? _____

What type of account? _____

How much saved? _____

Outstanding Debts (Mark all that apply and then list them along with the amount)

- Utilities (gas, electric, etc.)
- Phone (Verizon, AT & T, etc.)
- Credit Cards (VISA, Discovery, Hecht's, Sears, etc.)
- Court Ordered Child Support
- Delinquent Rent (Former landlords, etc.)

Medical Expenses

Other (specify) _____

List all financial debts: *Including money you owe any individuals (friends, family, etc.)*

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

Total \$ _____

SUBSTANCE HISTORY

When was the last time you consumed alcohol? _____

When was the last time you consumed illegal drugs? _____

List the drug(s) _____

When was the last time you consumed prescription drugs (prescribed to someone other than yourself)? _____

List the drug(s) _____

Are there any medications that you take on an ongoing basis? Y N

If yes, list all the medications? _____

If yes, do you self-medicate? Y N

If accepted are you able to bring those medications with you? Y N

CRIMINAL RECORD

Have you ever been arrested? Y N If yes, *explain*: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? Y N If yes, *explain*: _____

Are you currently on parole or probation? Y N If yes, list your parole/probation officer's name, address, and phone number.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Do you have any open Warrants? Y N

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Do you have any disabilities that may prevent you from communicating with the staff?

Y N

Do you have the ability to follow staff directions? Y N

Do you know how to read? Y N

Do you know how to write? Y N

*******NOTICE*******

MEDICAL

I understand that if I don't have medical insurance, I will be required to enroll with the VA Maryland Health Care System (VAMHCS).

I understand that I will be required to submit a Medical Problem List and a Medication List, with VAMC's verification.

I understand that I am required to sign a medical release statement.

Signature

Date

SUBSTANCE ABUSE CONTRACT

I understand that for my safety and the safety of all programs participants at the Patriot House, The Patriot House staff requires random and periodic alcohol and drug testing,

For cause included but is not limited to apparent changes in behavior, speech patterns, violent activity, odor of alcohol and drugs, suspicion of possession of drugs or drug paraphernalia, or alcoholic beverages on the premises.

Signature

Date

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TRUTHFULNESS STATEMENT

To the best of my knowledge, I have filled out this application as truthfully, correctly, and completely as possible. I understand that this information will be used to determine my eligibility for admittance into The Fouse Center and if it is false, incorrect, or incomplete my application may be rejected or my stay at the center terminated.

I agree to allow The Fouse Center's employees or their designated agent to verify the information on this application by interviewing my references and representatives of other agencies, verifying my income and asset information, obtaining my rental history and other information as necessary.

Signature _____ Date _____

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FOR STAFF USE ONLY

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• Specifics:

RP

NT

NMR (specify): _____

NV

NK

Other (specify): _____

**NOTICE REGARDING BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION
PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA LAW**

[Employer] (the “Company”) intends to obtain information about you for employment purposes from a consumer reporting agency. Thus, you can expect to be the subject of “investigative consumer reports” and “consumer credit reports” obtained for employment purposes. Such reports may include information about your character, general reputation, personal characteristics and mode of living. With respect to any investigative consumer report from an investigative consumer reporting agency (“ICRA”), the Company may investigate the information contained in your employment application and other background information about you, including but not limited to obtaining a criminal record report, verifying references, work history, your social security number, your educational achievements, licensure, and certifications, your driving record, and other information about you, and interviewing people who are knowledgeable about you. The results of this report may be used as a factor in making employment decisions. The source of any investigative consumer report (as that term is defined under California law) or any credit report information will be Pinkerton Consulting and Investigations, 11019 McCormick Road, Suite 120, Hunt Valley, MD, 800-635-1649. The Company agrees to provide you with a copy of an investigative consumer report when required to do so under California law.

Under California Civil Code section 1786.22, you are entitled to find out from an ICRA what is in the ICRA’s file on you with proper identification, as follows:

- In person, by visual inspection of your file during normal business hours and on reasonable notice. You also may request a copy of the information in person. The ICRA may not charge you more than the actual copying costs for providing you with a copy of your file.
- A summary of all information contained in the ICRA’s file on you that is required to be provided by the California Civil Code will be provided to you via telephone, if you have made a written request, with proper identification, for telephone disclosure, and the toll charge, if any, for the telephone call is prepaid by or charged directly to you.
- By requesting a copy be sent to a specified addressee by certified mail. ICRA’s complying with requests for certified mailings shall not be liable for disclosures to third parties caused by mishandling of mail after such mailings leave the ICRA’s.

“Proper Identification” includes documents such as a valid driver’s license, social security account number, military identification card, and credit cards. Only if you cannot identify yourself with such information may the ICRA require additional information concerning your employment and personal or family history in order to verify your identity.

The ICRA will provide trained personnel to explain any information furnished to you and will provide a written explanation of any coded information contained in files maintained on you. This written explanation will be provided whenever a file is provided to you for visual inspection.

You may be accompanied by one other person of your choosing, who must furnish reasonable identification. An ICRA may require you to furnish a written statement granting permission to the ICRA to discuss your file in such person’s presence.

DISCLOSURE AND AUTHORIZATION

[IMPORTANT -- PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING AUTHORIZATION]

DISCLOSURE REGARDING BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION

[Employer] ("the Company") may obtain information about you for employment purposes from a third party consumer reporting agency. Thus, you may be the subject of a "consumer report" and/or an "investigative consumer report" which may include information about your character, general reputation, personal characteristics, and/or mode of living, and which can involve personal interviews with sources such as your neighbors, friends, or associates. These reports may contain information regarding your credit history, criminal history, social security verification, motor vehicle records ("driving records"), verification of your education or employment history, or other background checks. You have the right, upon written request made within a reasonable time after receipt of this notice, to request disclosure of the nature and scope of any investigative consumer report. Please be advised that the nature and scope of the most common form of investigative consumer report obtained with regard to applicants for employment is an investigation into your education and/or employment history conducted by Pinkerton Consulting and Investigations, 11019 McCormick Road, Suite 120, Hunt Valley, MD, 800-635-1649, or another outside organization. The scope of this notice and authorization is all-encompassing, however, allowing **[Employer]** to obtain from any outside organization all manner of consumer reports and investigative consumer reports now and throughout the course of your employment to the extent permitted by law. As a result, you should carefully consider whether to exercise your right to request disclosure of the nature and scope of any investigative consumer report.

New York and Maine applicants or employees only: You have the right to inspect and receive a copy of any investigative consumer report requested by **[Employer]** by contacting the consumer reporting agency identified above directly.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AUTHORIZATION

I acknowledge receipt of the DISCLOSURE REGARDING BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION and A SUMMARY OF YOUR RIGHTS UNDER THE FAIR CREDIT REPORTING ACT and certify that I have read and understand both of those documents. I hereby authorize the obtaining of "consumer reports" and/or "investigative consumer reports" by the Company at any time after receipt of this authorization and throughout my employment, if applicable. To this end, I hereby authorize, without reservation, any law enforcement agency, administrator, state or federal agency, institution, school or university (public or private), information service bureau, employer, or insurance company to furnish any and all background information requested by Pinkerton Consulting and Investigations, 11019 McCormick Road, Suite 120, Hunt Valley, MD, 800-635-1649, another outside organization acting on behalf of **[Employer]**, and/or **[Employer]** itself. I agree that a facsimile ("fax"), electronic or photographic copy of this Authorization shall be as valid as the original.

New York applicants or employees only: By signing below, you also acknowledge receipt of Article 23-A of the New York Correction Law.

Minnesota and Oklahoma applicants or employees only: Please check this box if you would like to receive a copy of a consumer report if one is obtained by the Company.

California applicants or employees only: By signing below, you also acknowledge receipt of the NOTICE REGARDING BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA LAW. Please check this box if you would like to receive a copy of an investigative consumer report or consumer credit report at no charge if one is obtained by the Company whenever you have a right to receive such a copy under California law.

Signature _____

Date _____

Background Information

Last Name _____ First _____ Middle _____

Other Names/Alias _____

Social Security* # _____ Date of Birth* _____

Driver's License # _____ State of Driver's License** _____

Present Address _____ Phone Number _____

City/State/Zip _____ Years at this address _____

Former Employer _____ Position _____ Dates of Employment _____

Prior Address One _____

City/State/Zip _____ Years at this address _____

Prior Address Two _____

City/State/Zip _____ Years at this address _____

Memo

To: To Whom It May Concern
From: Case Manager
CC: Case File
Date: _____
Re: Verification of Homelessness

Name of Applicant: _____

This memo is to verify that _____ is homeless
because of the following reasons:

- Homeless living on the street
- Was in a residential program for more than 30 days
- Was/will be evicted
- Incarcerated for more than 30 days
- Domestic violence situation
- Emergency shelter
- Hospital/psychiatric facility for more than 30 days

Additional Comments:

Signature of Verifying Staff

Date

Memo

To: To Whom It May Concern

From: _____

CC: _____

Date: _____

Re: _____

Name of applicant: _____

Address: The Fouse Center, 6401 Ritchie Highway, Glen Burnie, MD 21061

I hereby certify that I am unemployed, homeless and living at

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

SIGNATURE OF SUPPORTER (CASE MANAGER)

DATE

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER