

CampNewHope LIFE-RULES

Sacred place of peace, safety and a good life

“CampNewHope” is not a “shelter”. It is not a hand-out but a hand-up. It is a Christian transitional (“transformational”) group camp in Buena Vista, Virginia, a ‘life-adventure camp’ for people who want to really change their lives around and become solid citizens, “Friends for Life”, with the “full life” Jesus came to give.

“Friends: Transients and Overnights are all called “Friends”. These rules are all about Friendship and a Full Life.

We also agree, all of us, to honor the following NewHope camp life standards:

- **Honor code:** No lying, cheating or stealing. Immediate eviction ensues.
- **Common areas clean:** Keep inside and outside of tent very clean and tidy; leave no mess. Every day.
- **Respect** each camp member, as well as privacy and property. Knock first.
- **Peace and Rest: Friends** need real peace and quiet – and a solid 7 – 8 hours of sleep - to fully recover their lives, and to be able to work hard and focus clearly all day, in the NewHope way. God’s creation is part of the healing. No noise machines at any time. *Quiet time is 9pm until 7am.*
- **Smoking** only outside the tents ... and only if it is not significantly harming your - or other’s - health.
- **No alcohol or illegal drugs on the property:** immediate verification is agreed, at any time, and immediate eviction hereby agreed. All agree to random drug testing by AHM managers, your own POs and police.
- **Serious Communicable Diseases:** Children are especially at risk so all camp Friends will avoid contact with all dealers of illegal substances, and dealers’ associates
- **Visitor Pre-Approval:** to safeguard camp Friends and the Mission; only approved visitors, only 10am-9pm.
- **Camper Skipper:** Help the Skipper to apply Life-Rules for all Friends.
- **No fighting**, loud arguing or abusive language. Eviction follows warning.
- **Division and Disharmony: Friends** will strive for peace and harmony. Anyone who causes division and disharmony will have to leave, with 24 hours notice. Absolutely no slander will be tolerated.
- **Rent and Utilities:** If and when agreed, a Transient will receive 1-3 nights free. Use that time to save for rent.
 - \$5/night Rent, paid up front or, if approved, from each pay-check – first 65% until rent paid in full
 - Must be paid on time, no later than Friday 5pm.
- **No addicts** are permitted on site (or people who hang with addicts). They will get successful treatment 1st.
- **No Weapons:** no firearms or concealed large knives over 6”
- **Cause for Eviction:** at Administrator’s discretion, substantial failure to follow the rules. Any person being evicted agrees to show the contents of their bags to the Administrator, if requested.
- **Repayment of Agreed Loans: Friends** pay back AHM to the best of their ability. Show your honor please.
- **Tent Inspection:** tents will be open for Skipper or Administrator for daytime inspection.
 - Any damage or soiling must be repaired/cleaned by Friends with 48 hours.
 - If Friend is unable to repair/clean, he must pay “reasonable cost” for same.
- **Schedules: Friends** will share kitchen and cooking equipment based on posted schedules.
- **Trial Period: Friends** will stay a maximum of 30 days except under special conditions agreed by AHM.
- **End Time: CampNewHope** is not a shelter; it is a camp for transitional living. Once a Friend is ready, they need to make way for another homeless person. Our Friends understand that, as soon as they are economically able, they may have to yield up their tents to another qualified homeless person
- **Leases and Rules** will be changed at any time according to Friends needs for safety and harmony.
- **Evil** cannot be accepted at CampNewHope ... in any form. Movies, magazines or behavior.

“Friends for Life”

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