

Oxford House of Ohio Re-entry Application

Full Name: _____

Age: _____

Sex: _____

DOC #: _____

DOC Facility: _____

Release Date: _____

Provide 3 areas to release: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Case Manager: _____

Are you an Addict or an Alcoholic? _____

What is your drug of choice? _____

Tell us about yourself:

Are you involved in a relationship? Explain. _____

Do you have children? If yes, will they be visiting or living with you? Tell us about them, age and sex.

What is your job history? Do you have any problem getting a job in 2 weeks?

What is the background of your current crime? Please explain in detail use another sheet of paper if necessary:

Do you have any other legal issues Court dates, Warrants? If yes, please explain.

Will you be on probation or parole upon release? _____

Have you ever been arrested for any sex crimes? If yes, please explain.

Do you have an anger problem? _____

Have you ever attended anger management? _____

Do you have any medical problems? If yes, please explain.

Are you currently taking medication? If yes, please list all medications.

Do you have any prejudices? Race / Sex / Religion? If yes, please explain.

How do you feel about your addiction? Do you believe it is a disease?

Do you have a sponsor? If no, will you get one? _____

How many 12-step meetings do you attend weekly?

How many 12-step meetings do you plan to attend weekly upon release?

What is your plan for your recovery?

Have you identified your relapse triggers? If so, what are they?

Tell us what your behavior might be like when you're headed towards a relapse:

How do you feel about sharing a bedroom / group living?

How do you handle confrontation? _____

Can you confront others in a constructive manner? _____

Do you have any problems performing household chores including yardwork? If yes, please explain?

What do you feel you can contribute to Oxford House?

What are you hoping Oxford House can offer you?

If accepted, when can you have your move-in fee (\$100) mailed to the house? Are you able to pay the first weeks (varies depending on the house) rent? _____

Do you plan to move in the day you are released? Oxford Houses of Ohio will only hold your bed until 8pm on your release date _____

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

I _____, Agree to the following:

1. I have read and understand the Probational Guidelines for Oxford House. I understand they must be followed, for a full 30-day period and until I have a zero-balance owed to the house. I understand that in order to come off the Probational Guidelines, it must be voted on in a house meeting and I need to be at a zero balance with the house.

2. If I have not begun paying my share of the weekly household expenses I will be placed on a 30 day financial contract and given a period of 7 days to make the 1st payment on the contract, if I do not pay the house I will be asked to leave during the following weeks house meeting after the week I am placed on the financial contract.

3. If my behavior is disruptive, I understand this is a reason for eviction. Disruptive behavior is defined as behavior which is interrupting the daily flow of the house. I will 1st be placed on a 30 day Behavioral Contract which will outline the behavior I have shown and the ways to change it, the contract will be reviewed every week in the house meeting and if I have not changed the behavior I will be asked to leave.

4. If I am on Probation or Parole, it is my responsibility to immediately inform my Probation or Parole Officer of a Financial and/or Behavioral contract when I am placed on it by the voting members of the house. I will provide my Officer with a written copy of the contract.

5. If I am found to be in violation of my contract, it is grounds to be expelled and my membership in the house will be voted on.

_____ Signature _____ Date

A copy of this application will be provided to Probation and Parole upon acceptance to a house. RE-ENTRY APPLICATION WILL NOT BE REVIEWED UNLESS SIGNED.

FILL OUT YOUR APPLICATION IN FULL OR IT WILL NOT BE PROCESSED

To be accepted in an Oxford House an applicant must complete this application and be interviewed by the residents of an Oxford House. The residents of the house then vote on acceptance. An 80% affirmative vote is required to be accepted. Carefully read the application and honestly answer the questions. Living in an Oxford House is special and if you understand its value it can help you achieve comfortable sobriety without relapse.

What is an Oxford House?

An Oxford House is an affordable, alcohol and drug-free living environment for individuals in recovery from alcoholism and/or drug addiction. All Oxford Houses have common characteristics.

- Each house is democratically self-run by the members
- Each house is financially self-supporting, responsible for all household expenses
- Each house must expel any member who returns to using drugs or alcohol

Are there any requirements to live in an Oxford House?

1) No drinking or using

2) Pay your EES [Equal Expense Shared]

3) No disruptive behavior Past experience with the first Oxford House proved that expelling the member that returned to alcohol or drugs no matter how briefly protects the house for the other members. If a member relapses on drugs and/or alcohol he/she will be asked to leave immediately. The individual can make arrangements with the house to get his/her personal belongings within a reasonable time frame. The house may choose to notify the Community Corrections Officer that the individual no longer lives at the house and state the reason why.

You will be required to pay the house a \$150 Non-refundable fee before move-in. EES varies with each house but the average is about \$165.00 per week with a non-refundable \$150 move-in fee. Each house will be different; the \$150.00 is a statewide general payment and will be applied according to that particular house's guidelines. If and when you are accepted into a house, you will be notified how much that house's EES and move-in costs are. EES covers all utilities and house supplies, (Again each house varies but most houses include wifi, laundry detergent, paper towels, toilet paper, cleaning supplies, coffee, creamer, and sugar).

Disruptive behavior can encompass many things but the bottom line is if an individual's behavior is a disruption to the normal flow of house operations, then that will be considered disruptive. Violence and threat of violence will be dealt with by the house and treated as a relapse behavior and the person involved will be asked to leave, in most cases immediately.

Things to do while you are incarcerated:

Oxford Houses' main goal is to provide self-sufficient affordable housing for individuals recovering from alcohol and/or drug addiction. Oxford House is not a treatment facility. Therefore, Oxford House recognizes most forms of substance abuse treatment, and the 12 step programs of Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous and other 12 step groups. There are ways for you, the incarcerated, to start work on these things now. We receive too many applications to process and accept all who apply; it is those individuals who are currently working on their recovery from addictions that will receive the higher priority to get into an Oxford House.

More hoops to jump:

There are special requirements to be an Oxford House member when using this incarceration process. Due to past experiences we ask that you try to pay your EES before move-in. This accomplishes two things. One, your placement in an Oxford House is guaranteed and two, it protects the house financially. If you do not show up on the day and time designated, if you move on from Oxford House within the first month, relapse or pose any threat to the house, you will forfeit any and all money paid to the house for that first month.

You will be on a restrictive probationary period. (30 days – and a zero balance owed to the house). This will include going to a predetermined number of 12 step meetings (5 per week), getting a sponsor within 2 weeks, getting a job within 2 weeks and a curfew time. This probation is the same in every house. After the initial month, you will have all privileges granted by a majority vote by other house members; however, if you have not successfully followed the probation guidelines your probation can be extended or your membership in the house can be terminated. What happens if I can't get the move in costs?

There are cases in which an inmate simply cannot come up with the money before he/she moves in, some houses work with the individual and will give them an appropriate amount of time to find employment and start getting a pay check (usually 2 weeks). In this case, you are required to pay 75% of your weekly income until you become current in your rent. There are many resources out there and we have found that if an individual really wants to get into an Oxford

House, he/she will use whatever resource to come up with funds. If you do not have any family or friends to ask, we suggest you try churches or other non-profit organizations. We have seen many inmates get funding through these types of resources.

What if I don't get accepted?

If for whatever reason you don't make it through this process, it is easier to get into a house when you are released. Some houses will allow you to move in before you have the full amount of the move in costs. If you find you are unable to get funding for Oxford House while in prison, Be sure to contact us once you are released because you will find it is simpler to get accepted into one of the houses and your chances of staying clean and sober are much greater with the peer support of an Oxford House.

Please Email Completed Applications to the Following:

reentryoh@oxfordhouse.us

www.oxfordhouse.org

Mail Paper Applications to:

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