

Title: Community Dinner
Issued By: Rights of Passage
Applies To: Program Services

I. POLICY

Rights of Passage (ROP) hosts a weekly Community Dinner for youth and their family, friends, and community.

II. PURPOSE

To help youth develop their skill in building positive relationships with ROP staff, other youth, and other individuals in the community.

III. PROCEDURE

Unless specified otherwise, the Key Youth Worker (KYW) is responsible for the following tasks –

- A. Record in the youth's file their attendance at the Community Dinner.
- B. Youth must inform their Key Youth Worker (KYW) in advance if they are unable to attend the Community Dinner, and the KYW must –
 - 1. Record the youth's file their non-attendance at the Community Dinner; and
 - 2. The reason such as due to school, work, or other prior commitments related to their case plan..
- C. Encourage new residents with a move-in plan to attend the Community Dinner as part of their transition plan.
- D. Program staff may invite former ROP residents to attend the Community Dinner provided they are –
 - 1. 25 years old or younger;
 - 2. Not carded by Covenant House Vancouver (CHV), and
 - 3. Not under the influence when they come for dinner.
- E. Youth may invite family and friends to the Community Dinner –
 - 1. Valid identification may be required from the youth's visitor(s); and
 - 2. The youth must abide by the provisions of the Policy on Visitors for Youth.
- F. Other agency staff must give prior notification to the Program Manager before attending the Community Dinner.