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My Journey

MY LIFE, RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES





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Welcome

TO THE MOVING ON PROGRAM

By now you will have received a Moving on Program pamphlet, your Charter of Rights, and an Information Booklet.

These resources are all designed for you to explain in general terms some of your rights and responsibilities, and, also our commitment to you.

We believe that you should have every opportunity to be your own person and the best you can be – independent and life – and job ready when you leave.

For us to support you along this journey there are some things we will need from you prior to your acceptance to the program.

These are things that you need to think about very carefully and talk through with your child safety officer or someone you trust:

- The young people that are a part of the program have worked very hard to get here, and are a very social and welcoming group, a group you are expected to engage with;
- You will be required to enter a three month trial period, something that allows you to think more about whether the program is the right fit for you, and, allows us to see if you are ready to commit to earning or learning model of care. It can be very lonely for you when you first move in so we want to be sure that you like living there and feel like you belong;
- Whilst there is at times naturally conflict because we don't get on with everyone in life disrespectful or abusive behavior will not be tolerated. Anything that harms another person is not okay. We all have feelings and they matter. If anyone is at risk of harm because of your actions, police will be called and you could risk being evicted from the program. This helps prepare you for tenancy in the real world;
- We do not support abusive behaviour, because we believe you and everyone living there needs to feel safe at all times in their homes;
- You need to be at school completing your education until you complete year 10 level;

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- You will be required to continue to go college full time / or be earning your own living. If you are not willing to go to school or have a full time job, then you may be asked to leave the program;
- You are in control of your own journey, and you will need to be involved in Care Team meetings with your CSO and the program Coordinator so that your views and wishes are considered as part of your transition to independence;
- It is critical that you are willing to learn to manage your money, cook your own meals and understand good nutrition, feel cared about, and where you would like to – reconnect with your family if its safe to do so.





So ask yourself?

- Can I commit to always letting people know where I am or if I am to be late home – being safe;
- Can I commit to going to school or working full time – access to an education or earning my way through life – self actualisation;
- Am I ready to abide by the house rules, and consider how my behavior impacts on other people – being a part of a community that cares for you and developing ‘resiliency for life’;
- Am I willing to have health care checks - making sure I am as healthy as I can be;
- Do I want help to navigate the private rental market when I leave – have my independence, and life skills;
- Do I understand my rights to make a complaint/ do I know how to? – can I improve this service for other young people; and
- Will I interact with other young people and attend the education and recreational activities that are scheduled – play a real part in my community, being connected and feeling like I fit.



What does this all mean?

We want you to graduate from this program with a real sense of achievement.

We want you to do more than just survive out of home care, we want to see you thrive and be an active part of your / Kennerley community.

I am willing to abide by:


- A three month trial to see if I can be happy at the program
- Code of conduct;
- House Rules;
- Program support – I agree to attend house meetings, go to school/work full time, raise any matters I think could improve things;
- Respectful behavior;
- Keep myself safe by letting people know where I am and when I will be home; and
- Providing my goals to the Care Team and my Child Safety Officer.

Signature

My Kennerley representative agrees to:

- A three month trial that provides support to help me adjust;
- Assist me to follow my dreams;
- Learn the skills I need to be independent (learn to drive, make healthy choices, and be my best self);
- Be there for me throughout my journey in Kennerley, and beyond;
- Encourage me to stretch myself; and
- Mentors me so that I can start to realise my dreams.

Signature



CHARTER OF RIGHTS

1. I have the right to be safe and feel safe.
2. I have the right to have access to health care when I need it.
3. I have the right to be listened to about decisions that affect me.
4. I have the right to see and have timely responses from my child safety and Kennerley worker.
5. I have the right to be respected and treated fairly.
6. I have the right to be safe but stay connected to my family, community, culture and who I care about.
7. I have the right to an education that supports my learning to be the best I can be.
8. I have the right to be asked for consent and for my privacy to be protected.



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