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WeShine Village Guest Application

(Please Note: If you need any help filling out this application form, feel free to contact Ruin Riggs at 971-610-4018 or ruin@weshinepdx.org.)

WeShine has three villages: Parkrose, Avalon, and St Andrews. Our **Parkrose** Community Village serves **adults who identify as LGBTQIA2S+ (sexual and gender minorities)**, our **Avalon** Community Village serves **adults who are women, transgender or otherwise, as well as femme-aligned nonbinary individuals**, and our **St Andrews** Community Village serves **adults who are 45 and older or adults of any age with physical disabilities**. Applicants must meet the basic eligibility requirements of the village(s) for which they apply.

At each village, **we prioritize folks who are Black, Indigenous, or People of Color, as well as LGBTQIA2S+ people, folks with mental health conditions, physical disabilities, or chronic health conditions**. In addition, we prioritize folks who are **staying or camping within a two mile radius** of the village they are applying for, as well as folks who are **fleeing current domestic violence**. WeShine Villages are low-barrier. Each applicant will be considered on an individual basis regardless of their background or current struggles/challenges.

Which village are you applying for? It is ok to apply for more than one.

- ☐ Parkrose (12501 NE Halsey St, 97230) ☐ Avalon (2539 SE 19th Ave, 97214)
☐ St Andrews (7600 N Hereford Ave, 97203) ☐ Any village/doesn't matter

Are you a resident of Multnomah County? ☐ Yes ☐ No **If so, please provide documentation. Documented evidence of Multnomah County residency includes ODL with local address, OHP card with local provider, local SNAP card, local emergency contact, name and contact info for a case manager from a local agency, local pay stub, piece of mail, etc.**

How did you hear about WeShine ? _____

Name: _____

Pronouns (she/her, he/him, they/them, etc): _____

Preferred Nickname: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Age Range: **Circle One** 18-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65+

Language(s) Spoken: _____

Language (s) Read/Written: _____

Gender Identification (male/female/trans male/trans female/nonbinary/etc):

Do you consider yourself to be a part of the LGBTQIA2S+ community? If so, describe how you identify: _____

Racial Identification (Black, Indigenous/Native, Asian (API), SWANA, multiple races, White, etc):

Ethnic Identification (Hispanic/Latinx, Italian, Russian, Ukrainian, Somali, Eritrea, Hmong, Vietnamese, and many others):

Are you **currently** fleeing from domestic or interpersonal violence? _____

What are the two nearest cross streets to where you are currently staying/camping?

If applicable, please provide names and contact information of any social service agencies, caseworkers, housing advocates, peer support, primary care provider, or counselor you are currently working with. If you have none, leave this section blank.

<u>Service Provider</u>	<u>Email Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>

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Are you on any housing waitlists? ☐ Yes ☐ No.

If yes, with what agencies or buildings? _____

Background Information

Are you a Veteran? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is this your first experience with being unhoused? ☐ Yes ☐ No

How long have you been unhoused? Years _____ Months _____

How did you become unhoused? _____

What city and state were you living in when you became unhoused? _____

How long have you lived in Multnomah County? Years _____ Months _____

Do you have a vehicle? Y or N (Circle one)

If yes, please provide the following information:

Vehicle Make & Model:

Vehicle License Plate:

Vehicle color and style:

***Note: special permission is required to park your vehicle next to Parkrose Village. No one may live in or stay in a vehicle parked on the property. At Avalon and St Andrews, only street parking is available.**

☐ Drivers License

Number: _____ State: _____

☐ Vehicle Insurance

If yes, please list carrier: _____

What is your current insurance policy expiration date? _____

☐ Is the vehicle working and driveable? _____

Do you have a cat or a dog ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, tell us about your pet:

What kind? _____

Is your pet spayed/neutered? _____

Does it have a license and/or shots?

Is it house-trained?

***Note: Dogs must be screened to be sure they are not aggressive towards other people or animals and will not be accepted automatically into the village. Villagers will be required to assume full responsibility and take full care of their animal including feeding them, keeping their animal under good control (dogs on leash or in dog run), maintaining appropriate supplies on hand, using designated pet areas, and cleaning up after them. Only one animal is allowed per sleeping pod.**

Do you have Substance Use Disorder or other mental health challenges? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please describe:

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Do you have any learning disabilities, need help with reading or writing, or remembering things? If yes, please describe:

Do you have any physical limitations or medical conditions? If yes, please describe:

Do you take any prescription medications? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, what do you take them for?

Are you currently on parole or probation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please provide the name and contact info for your probation/parole officer: _____

Do you smoke tobacco or marijuana? ☐ Yes ☐ No

***Note: smoking will only be allowed in designated outdoor smoking areas.**

Do you drink alcohol? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you use any illicit drugs? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Addiction to drugs or consumption of alcohol will not automatically prevent you from being admitted to a WeShine Village. However, open use and/or drug dealing or distribution will not be allowed within the Village or the property the Village sits on. Additionally, there is to be no cooking of drugs within the pods.

Have you ever been evicted from a village, congregate shelter, housing or treatment program?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, provide dates and reasons for evictions:

What steps have you taken since then to address the issues/behavior that caused you to be evicted?

Have you ever lived in a self-governing community? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, what do you think makes a self governing community work well for all?

Income Information:

Do you currently receive any income from employment? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, how much? \$_____/mo.

Do you currently receive any other income? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, \$_____/mo.

If yes, what is the source of other income? (Disability, Social Security, Worker's Comp, picking up cans, odd jobs, family help, etc.)

Additional Information:

This is a space for you to add any information you would like us to know about you.

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Applicant Signature:

By signing below you are stating that the information you have provided is factual and complete to the best of your knowledge.

Signature _____ Date _____

Next Steps:

1) Complete the application. Answer every question as fully as you can. It is ok to ask someone to help you fill out the application. After you finish the application you can do one of the following:

- Drop your application off in the black box mounted by the gate on the outside of the turquoise fence at Parkrose Village (12501 NE Halsey Blvd., Portland, OR 97230) or at the drop box by the main entrance of Avalon (2539 SE 19th Ave., Portland OR 97214) or at the drop box mounted on the fence at St Andrews, 7600 N. Hereford Ave.
- Mail it to: 3439 NE Sandy Blvd. #525, Portland OR 97232
- Email it to: info@weshinepdx.org

2) If you are notified of an opening at a village site, make arrangements to meet village staff through Ruin Riggs (ruin@weshinepdx.org or 971-610-4018). Village Staff will give you a tour of the village. They will also review our Good Guest Agreement with you to be sure you understand what is expected of you as a Village Guest. You will be required to sign this Agreement before you can move in. They will also arrange for you to meet with a couple of our current villagers, so they can ask you some questions, too.

3) If you have a dog, you will need to provide information about the pet and bring it to the Village when you have your interview to meet with other pets and villagers. At this time, you will also get the chance to look over our pet policy.

4) If you have a vehicle, you will have to find street parking for it, as there is no on-site parking available at Avalon or St Andrews. In the case of Parkrose Village, vehicles can only be parked on church property overnight if the driver is licensed and the vehicle is registered and insured.

5) Once you are accepted to the village, a staff member will help you make plans to move in. You will be limited to bringing 3 medium-sized garbage or duffle-type bags of personal belongings to your pod. Staff will meet with you to review the items you propose to bring in before you are allowed to bring them into the village.