

## **Resident Rights and Responsibilities**

## Residents have the right to:

- 1. Expect that the guidelines outlined in the London Emergency Shelter Guidelines will be followed
- 2. Be treated in a non-judgemental and respectful way
- 3. Be free from discrimination and harassment
- 4. Have safe and clean accommodation
- 5. Receive adequate and nutritious food
- 6. Receive information about programs and services in order to make informed decisions
- 7. Have forms and requests for information (pertaining to the shelter) explained
- 8. Have individual needs met due to a disability accommodated where possible in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act
- 9. Receive support from shelter staff in accordance with shelter mandate in order to achieve reasonable goals
- 10. Be involved in and or have fully explained any decisions that affect them
- 11. Have personal information treated confidentially
- 12. Have personal information stored in a secure manner
- 13. Have a clear complaints and appeals process

## Residents have a responsibility to:

- 1. Follow the rules of the shelter
- 2. Provide the shelter operator with eligibility information such as: personal data, residence history, asset and income details etc. to the best of their ability
- 3. Disclose any information that may negatively affect the health and wellbeing of shelter operator staff, residents, volunteers and visitors
- 4. Treat shelter operator staff/ volunteers and other shelter residents with respect and observe the non-violence and anti-harassment practices of the shelter
- 5. Respect the private property and belongings of other shelter residents
- 6. Respect the private property and belongings of the shelter operator
- 7. Maintain their own personal belongings
- 8. Not bring banned items or substances onto shelter property
- 9. Work with shelter operator staff to improve their housing situation within their capacity
- 10. Notify the shelter operator if they no longer require services