



Admission Criteria

1. Applicant must be between the ages of 18 (or emancipated) and 22 years old and have been in foster care.
2. Applicant must be highly motivated to achieve academic/career goals.
3. Applicant must agree to attend weekly Life Skills Workshops hosted by Jeremiah's Promise (JP).
4. Applicant must give permission for JP Staff/Therapists to obtain confidential information about the applicant and to contact social workers, care givers, case managers, therapists and/or other people who can serve as a reference for the purpose of determining suitability for admission into the program.
5. Applicant must complete the entire application prior to an interview with the JP Admissions Coordinator. It is the burden of the applicant to contact the JP Admissions Coordinator if additional assistance is needed in completing forms or securing referrals. (See below for contact information.)
6. Applicant must agree to terms stated in the Tenant Agreement.
7. Applicant must agree to be drug and alcohol free upon admission or agree to undergo addictive counseling and successfully complete an appropriate treatment program prior to admission if there is a history of drug or alcohol abuse. Those exhibiting other addictive behaviors, such as eating disorders, sexual addictions or other acting out behaviors, also must agree to counseling and treatment.
8. JP will not accept applicants who possess a criminal record if the conviction was a felony. Applications from youths who have minor convictions will be reviewed by the JP Admission Staff, and suitability will be determined on a case-by-case basis.
9. Applicant must agree to relinquish any gang-related behaviors, relationships or membership in gangs before she will be accepted for admission.
10. The safety and well being of all JP residents, staff and volunteers is an important issue. If the applicant suffers from a serious mental disorder, the applicant must agree to enter counseling and treatment. The applicant also must allow JP Staff to be in contact with the applicant's current therapist/psychiatrist to determine suitability for admission and for continuity of care. If the applicant has a recent history of violence to self or others, he or she may not be suitable for JP at this time and may be referred to an appropriate agency for further care.
11. An applicant may be referred to an alternate, appropriate agency if he or she has a recent history of destructive behavior to self, others, animals, or property.
12. JP reserves the right to obtain answers to questions regarding: reasons for group home placement if the applicant is currently or has been placed in a group home prior to referral; whether or not the applicant has a history of running away from placements; or reasons for changes in placement if the applicant has had multiple placements. If placements have failed because of safety concerns, aggressiveness, violence, threats of violence to self, staff, residents or others, the applicant will not be suitable for admission and may be referred to an alternate agency for appropriate follow up.
13. Jeremiah's Promise does not discriminate against any person or group on the basis of political affiliation, race, national origin, ethnicity, gender, disability, or religious belief.

*For questions or assistance, please call **408.962.0630** or email **admissions@jeremiahspromise.org**.*