

## **Financial Responsibilities of Residents**

By signing this agreement, you agree to the financial responsibilities of the program at LifeGate Freedom Recovery Ministries. We are here to teach you responsible living based on the Scriptures. The financial responsibility of each resident is meant to empower the resident with knowledge and experience, teaching a resident what is required of them in society.

- Each resident agrees to participate in the Financial Literacy program offered by LifeGate Freedom Recovery Ministries.
- Upon intake each resident is responsible to pay an intake fee of \$250.00. \*\*\*
- Program Fees are \$250 per week based on a voucher program offered by ODMHSAS and each resident must apply and be approved or be responsible for these fees.\*\*\*.
- All pay stubs are to be provided to LifeGate Financial Counselor. Savings and Debt Reduction payments are calculated by residents pay stubs and are due each payday, whether the employment is contract labor, outside the facility, or employed by the facility. Savings is to be 10% of a resident's net paycheck according to the Financial Literacy Program requirements. Debt reduction is to be 15% of residents net paycheck according to the Financial Literacy Program requirements. If a resident does not complete the program, the debt reduction monies will not be refunded to the resident.
- In order to receive any voucher benefits, residents, need to comply with any requirements set forth by ODMHSAS such as Recovery Housing Plan must be completed within 30 days of resident's intake date.
- Residents owe \$50.00 per week for food unless the resident receives SNAP benefits with LifeGate as the authorized representative. It is the resident's responsibility to inform DHS of their employment status within 10 days of employment. If resident SNAP benefits stop the resident will be responsible to pay \$50.00 per week for food.
- Transportation fee is \$50.00 per week.
- Program fees and intake fees paid are nonrefundable.
- Tithing 10% of your earnings is a spiritual principle that is greatly encouraged to the church or organization of your choice.

Occasionally, there is temporary work outside the facility that residents may be paid for described as contract labor (this is a job that we charge a customer \$15.00/ hour and is designed to only be temporary or short term in nature). In this example when the resident works for \$15.00 per hour the resident will receive \$7.50 per hour according to how many hours they work. \$7.50 per hour goes to overhead and transportation.

\*\*\* Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services offers housing assistance through a voucher program.

\*\*\* If a resident does not qualify for housing assistance voucher program there may still be some additional avenues that a resident may qualify for. Please see your program manager or the director for additional information.