**COVID-19 Liability and Release from Harm 2020**

**Release of Liability, Waiver of Participation, Assumption of Risk and Hold Harmless Agreement for Volunteers or Intern**

In consideration for receiving permission to serve as a Volunteer or Intern at Gateway Center (hereinafter the “Activity or Activities”), I, on behalf of myself and any minor child/children for whom I have the capacity to contract, hereby acknowledge and agree to the following:

I will consent to have my temperature checked as well as answer COVID-19 health screening questions.

If I knowingly have been exposed and/or not feeling well that, I will not present at Gateway Center for the purposes of volunteering.

1. I understand the hazards of the novel coronavirus (“COVID-19”) and am familiar with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) guidelines regarding COVID-19. I acknowledge and understand that the circumstances regarding COVID-19 are changing from day to day and that, accordingly, the CDC guidelines are regularly modified and updated and I accept full responsibility for familiarizing myself with the most recent updates.

2. Notwithstanding the risks associated with COVID-19, which I readily acknowledge, I hereby willingly choose to participate in Activities.

3. I acknowledge and fully assume the risk of illness or death related to COVID-19 arising from my being on the premises and participating in the Activities and hereby RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE (on behalf of myself and any minor children form whom I have the capacity contract) Gateway Center, their owners, officers, directors, agents, employees and assigns (the “RELEASEES”) from any liability related to COVID-19 which might occur as a result my being on the premises and participating in the Activities.

4. I shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the RELEASEES from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, judgments, losses or expenses of any nature whatsoever (including, without limitation, attorneys’ fees, costs and disbursements, whether of in-house or outside counsel and whether or not an action is brought, on appeal or otherwise), arising from or out of, or relating to, directly or indirectly, the infection of COVID-19 or any other illness or injury.
5. It is my express intent that this Waiver and Hold Harmless Agreement shall bind any assigns and representatives, and shall be deemed as a RELEASE, WAIVER, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE the above-named RELEASEES. This Agreement and the provisions contained herein shall be construed, interpreted and controlled according to the laws of the State of Georgia.

And Whereby

6. I hereby assume any and all risks associated with my voluntary participation in the events or activities around volunteering at any Gateway Center program location including by way of example and not limitation, any risks that may be associated with the negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities being released from dangerous or defective equipment or property owned by them or controlled or maintained by them, or because of their possible liability without fault.

7. I certify that I am physically fit, have properly trained to take part in this activity, and have not been advised against participation in this activity by a medical doctor. I certify there are no health-related reasons or problems that would preclude me from participating in volunteer activities.

8. In consideration for me participating in this event, I hereby act for myself, my executors, administrators, heirs, relatives, and next of kin, successors, and assigns as follows:

This is a legally binding Release and Authorization executed by:
_________________________________________ (the “Participant”) whose address is __________________________________________.

I, the undersigned, request that I be granted permission to participate in the following activity: ___________________________ (“Activity”), to be held at the following location: ___________________________.

In consideration of the Participant being permitted to participate in the Activity, I do release, waive, forever discharge, and covenant not to sue the Institution, its governing board, officers, agents, employees, and any students acting as employees (“Releasees”), from and against any and all liability for any harm, injury, damage, claims, demands, actions, causes of actions, costs and expenses of any nature which Participant may have or which may hereafter accrue to Participant arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including but not limited to, suffering and death, that may be sustained by Participant or by any property belonging to me, whether caused by the negligence or carelessness of the Releasees, or otherwise, while Participant is in, on,
upon, or in transit to or from the premises where the Activity, or any adjunct to the Activity, occurs or is being conducted. I understand and agree that Releasees do not have medical personnel available at the location of the Activity. I understand and agree that Releasees are granted permission to authorize emergency medical treatment, if necessary, and that such action by Releasees shall be subject to the terms of this Agreement. I understand and agree that Releasees assume no responsibility for any injury or damage which might arise out of or in connection with such authorized emergency medical treatment.

**I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE TERMS OF THIS LIABILITY RELEASE, WAIVER, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE.**

I understand that I am serving as a volunteer and that I will not be compensated for my efforts. I hereby release and hold harmless this agency the Gateway Center partners, and volunteers, for or by any injury sustained by me during my willful participation in this event. I knowingly and freely assume all risk associated with my participation in this “Activity” at Gateway Center’s program location.

Name: _________________  Date: _______________________

Signature: _______________  Witness: _______________________

Email address: ________________________________

EXPIRATION: None

Users must sign this waiver one time only.