

RIVERSIDE COUNTY SOBER LIVING COALITION

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Internet Referral Listings at www.soberhousing.net

Six day a week sober living referral service 1-800-799-2084

MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITY & APPLICATION CHECKLIST

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Join other **quality sober living homes** that are demonstrating that the majority of Riverside County's homes are healthy, safe, running well, and ethical. The Riverside County Coalition is accepting applications from sober homes willing to be recognized.

The more Riverside County Coalition member sober living homes there are, the better we can **influence our future**. Both the State and County are still planning to regulate unlicensed residential facilities. Government regulation complications can be avoided if homes join together as a trade association.

County and State Alcohol and Drug Authorities are recognizing that Sober Living Homes, Oxford Houses and other recovery support resources are as essential

The following steps will establish that your home meets basic quality guidelines.

- 1) Review our Membership Requirements and Code of Ethics.
- 2) Complete a **Developing and Operating Sober Living Housing** workshop. Dates are available on soberhousing.net.
- 3) Head of Households must complete the **Leadership Training** workshop. Dates are available on soberhousing.net.
- 4) Prepare your Sober Living Home for inspection using the Pre-Inspection Checklist. Make sure you have our Grievance Policy posted in your home prior to inspection.
- 5) Have the following paperwork together and ready to give to the inspector:
 - a) **copies of all training certificates**
 - b) **copy of personal liability insurance policy**
 - c) **signed code of ethics**
 - d) **all intake forms used for your guests**
 - e) **information page on your home**
 - f) **\$200 annual application fee payable to the Riverside County Sober Living Coalition**
 - g) **\$100 annual application fee for each additional house**

Call the Inspector Randy Reisner (909) 936-3212 for an inspection appointment.

▪ The Inspector will give your application and all paperwork to the Field Organizer who will then notify you if any changes need to be made in your paperwork. The Field Organizer will submit approved home applications to the Sober Living Network. The SLN will add approved homes to the website and provide a Member Certificate the following month at regular Coalition meetings. (This process may take 30 – 60 days) Longer if corrections need to be made, or if your home was not ready for the first inspection. If your home needs to be re-inspected for any reason you are required to pay the inspector and additional \$25 for each follow up visit.

▪ Attend Coalition meetings on a regular basis. If you miss 3 consecutive or 4 meetings in a calendar year you will automatically be removed from membership and required to start the application process all over again, including the application fee. The Riverside County Sober Living Coalition meets on the 1st Wednesday of every month at: **Riverside County Dept. of Mental Health Substance Abuse Administration 3525 Presley - Riverside, CA. We begin at 9 AM.**