

## UNITED WAY OF YORK COUNTY

## REQUIREMENTS FOR AFFILIATION

To be a full partner agency of the United Way, an agency must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Be legally incorporated as a non-profit agency and tax exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- 2. Be in operation for at least one year prior to applying for affiliation.
- 3. Be governed by a volunteer Board of Directors whose members:
  - Adopt a constitution or bylaws that state the agency's mission, purpose and responsibilities;
  - Adopt all policies and procedures necessary for governing the agency.
    - Code of Ethics
    - Record Retention Policy
    - Business Contingency Plan
    - Conflict of Interest Policy
    - Agency Reserve Policy
    - Investment Policy
    - Gift Acceptance Policy
  - Meet on a regular basis;
  - Conduct an annual meeting;
  - Serve without pay for a limited number of years or terms;
  - Consist of a diverse group of people representing different segments of the community;
  - Assure the agency meets all legal and financial requirements; and
  - Select, employ and evaluate an executive director.
- 4. Adopt a mission statement reflecting the overall purpose of the agency and develop a strategic plan, which enumerates strategic goals and objectives to carry out the mission.
- 5. Have an annual audit conducted by an independent, certified public accountant and comply with all applicable regulations of the Internal Revenue Service.
- 6. Provide services consistent with United Way policy, which meet a community human services need and do not unnecessarily duplicate services of another agency.
- 7. Be able to demonstrate a need for United Way funding.
- 8. Agree to sign and abide by the Statement of Agreement between the United Way and the partner agency and adhere to the Self-Support Policies and Procedures and all other policies defining the relationship between the United Way and partner agencies.