



**COMMUNITY HOUSING
2012-2013
APPLICATION FORM**

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

5:00pm, Monday, March 19

SUBMIT:

- **HARDCOPY OF THE ENTIRE APPLICATION TO**
The Office of Residential Life, Chase Hall, Suite 213
- **ELECTRONIC COPY OF JUST THE PROPOSAL INCLUDING THE CONTINGENCY PLAN TO**
The Director of Residential Life at msmith@haverford.edu

The Residential Life Committee believes it is important to emphasize our commitment to the principles of concern and respect for others, social justice, community, and service. Through Community Housing we wish to provide an outlet for these values.

A Good Community House Should:

- Have a specific goal in mind for the community they want to create.
- Provide a well thought out application and interview, as outlined below.
- Be realistic in setting its goals.
- Broaden/expand an existing program or identify an area of interest on campus and create a space to address that interest.
- Be comprised of people who feel they can create a living space that will provide for a community of students on campus while also being welcoming to the entire community.

To apply for a Community House, students are required to submit a hardcopy of the Community House Application Form and a Community House Proposal including a Contingency Plan for filling vacancies, an electronic version of just the Proposal including the Contingency Plan, and participate in an interview with the Residential Life Committee on their proposal. If applicable, a collaborative statement of support from faculty, staff, office or department may be included with your application. Students, by their application for Community Housing, are committing to this housing if their application is accepted and once accepted, students may not enter any other part of Room Draw.

The Community House Application Form: This form must include the names of the students who are committed to living in this space and pursuing the goals outlined in the proposal. Students accepted to live in Community Housing agree to live in this housing for the entire academic year, unless going on a Study Abroad, Study Away, or Exchange Program.

The proposal should address the following:

- What community/area/theme is your group focusing on?
- Please specify what you hope to achieve by living in this communal living space
- How do you plan to create a communal living space (list at least four concrete ideas)?
- How will this space benefit people whose interests are aligned with your community including those students who will be living in this Community House?
- How will this space enhance the college community?
- How do you plan to reach out to others?
- How have the people applying been involved with this area of interest in the past?
- How do you propose to fund your House if you do not receive adequate funding from Students Council?
- How do you plan to fill an open space in your House if a person leaves during the year? [Contingency Plan and requirement that each new member of the House will write a paragraph on why they want to be a part of and live in the House and their commitment to it.]

The Interview: All applicants must participate in an interview with the Residential Life Committee on their proposal the evening of Wednesday, March 21.

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Other Important Information To Know

- **Numbers of students in an application group:** Three of the four Community House locations are at HCA. Each house has eleven (11) students on one floor. The fourth is in Yarnall that houses thirteen (13) students. If your group would like to apply to live in HCA, you must include the names of 11 students. If your group would like to apply to live in Yarnall, you will need to include the name of 13 students. If a Community House application with 11 students is selected and assigned to Yarnall, your group will need to provide the names of 2 additional students who will live with you.
- **Winter Break Housing:** Two (2) of the four (4) Community Houses - **Yarnall and HCA # 14 - are designated as Winter Break Housing.** This means that your living space will be used during the Winter Break to house for approved athletes, International students who cannot go home for the break, and students who are taking classes at Penn that begin the week before classes at Haverford.
- **Yarnall is a quiet house:** **Yarnall is located in a residential community and is a quiet house.** Residents and their guests are expected to keep music and noise within the confines of the building at all times. Parties are not permitted at Yarnall.
- **Review meeting:** All Houses agree to meet with the Residential Life Committee at least once a year in November to undergo review to determine whether the House is fulfilling its stated goals. Understanding that Community Housing is a privilege and constitutes a commitment to the community, there will be consequences if groups do not respect this commitment. Consequences may include the students losing this group housing at the end of the fall semester and entering the Mid-Year Room Draw or students losing the opportunity to apply for and/or live in community housing in the future.
- **Acceptances and Housing assignments:** **The Residential Life Committee and Director of Residence Life** make all acceptance decisions and the assignments of each accepted House to their housing location. All decisions are final and may not be appealed.

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This form, properly filled out & signed, along with the Proposal including the Contingency Plan must be submitted to Office of Residential Life (Chase Hall #213) and an electronic copy of just the Proposal including the Contingency Plan must be sent to The Director of Residential Life, Marianne (Smitty) Smith, at msmith@haverford.edu by the deadline. Late, incomplete or improperly filled out applications will not be accepted.

Students, by their application for Community Housing, are committing to this housing if their application is accepted and once accepted, may not enter Room Draw.

All students participating in the Room Draw process, by their signature, acknowledge their responsibility to read, understand, and abide by all policies and procedures in the Spring Room Draw Guidelines and the Honor Code.

NAME OF COMMUNITY HOUSE _____				
	ID #	Print NAME OF APPLICANTS in alphabetical order by last name	CLASS YEAR	<i>SIGNATURES</i> are <i>required</i> of all applicants or their Proxies <i>NOTE: You may only sign your own name.</i> Proxies: Please check box.
1.				Proxy <input type="checkbox"/>
2.				Proxy <input type="checkbox"/>
3.				Proxy <input type="checkbox"/>
4.				Proxy <input type="checkbox"/>
5.				Proxy <input type="checkbox"/>
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8.				Proxy <input type="checkbox"/>
9.				Proxy <input type="checkbox"/>
10.				Proxy <input type="checkbox"/>
11.				Proxy <input type="checkbox"/>
Yarnall 12.				Proxy <input type="checkbox"/>
Yarnall 13.				Proxy <input type="checkbox"/>

Please name a CONTACT PERSON for your Community House in case we need to reach someone with questions now, during the summer, or during the next academic year.

Print Name of Contact Person: _____

Cell Phone #: _____ **Haverford Email:** _____@haverford.edu
In case a vacancy occurs after school ends, please also include a **Summer Phone #:** _____