

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, AND ASSUMPTION OF RISKS

ORGANIZATION: The Lethbridge Soup Kitchen (LSK)

LOCATION: 802 2nd Ave N, Lethbridge, AB, and surrounding parking areas.

1. ASSUMPTION OF RISKS

Volunteering at LSK involves inherent risks. Our guests are often living on the fringe of society and their behaviour might be influenced by drugs, alcohol, mental disorder, desperation, or other challenges. **By signing this document, I freely and voluntarily assume all risks**, including but not limited to:

- **Physical Injury:** Burns, cuts, slips, falls, and any other injuries resulting from heavy lifting or being in a commercial kitchen.
- **Interpersonal Hazards:** Physical, emotional, or mental trauma/injury resulting from interactions with guests, other volunteers, or staff from the neighboring shelter.
- **Bag-Check Risks:** Risk of being stabbed or injured by concealed items (needles, knives, tools) and exposure to unsanitary materials.
- **Witnessing Events:** Mental or emotional trauma caused by witnessing incidents within the LSK or in the parking lot or adjacent areas.
- **Property Damage:** Theft or damage to vehicles/personal property upon the premises of LSK.

2. RELEASE OF LIABILITY & INDEMNITY

I agree to **WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS and RELEASE FROM LIABILITY** the Lethbridge Soup Kitchen and its present and former directors, staff, volunteers, and insurers, for any loss, damage, injury, or even death that I may suffer arising through my volunteering for Lethbridge Soup Kitchen or through my attendance for any other reason upon their premises.

- This includes but is not limited to claims arising from the **NEGLIGENCE** of LSK staff or a breach of any statutory duty of care under the Occupiers' Liability Act or any other statute or law.

I agree to **HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY** the Lethbridge Soup Kitchen and its present and former directors, staff, volunteers, and insurers any litigation costs or damages resulting from my own actions while volunteering.

3. VOLUNTEER HOURS & DOCUMENTATION

If I am volunteering to fulfill required community service (school, court-ordered, etc.), I acknowledge that it is my **sole responsibility to track my hours** and secure staff signatures at the time of service. LSK is not responsible for lost hours or the failure of a volunteer to secure documentation.

4. MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION

In an emergency, I authorize LSK to secure medical treatment or transport on my behalf. I accept full financial responsibility for any associated costs (e.g., ambulance fees).

5. CONTINUING AGREEMENT

This waiver is legally binding today and for all future dates that I volunteer at LSK, until revoked by me in writing.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ALL ASPECTS OF THIS AGREEMENT. I am aware that by signing, I am waiving certain legal rights which I or my heirs may have against The Lethbridge Soup Kitchen.

Media Photo & Video Release Preference:

{{Media}}

Are you volunteering today as an adult or a minor?

{{AgeMode}}

Required Document Execution Signatures:

Party Name	Signature Status	24h Timestamp
Volunteer: {{Name}}	{{SigObject}}	{{Timestamp}}
Parent/Guardian: {{ParentName}}	{{ParentSigObject}}	{{Timestamp}}

<i>Meal Coordinator on Shift:</i> {{CoordinatorName}}	{{CoordinatorSigObject}} }	{{Timestamp}}
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