



Circle Leader Application

Circles offers a unique partnership of Circle Leaders, each matched with 2-3 Circle Allies (coaches). A Circle Leader is a person and family members, currently earning below 200% of the federal poverty level (see table on page 2), and committed to improving their quality of life through livable wage employment and self-sufficiency. Circle Allies are life coaches that serve Circle Leaders as encouragers and bridges to social and economic wellbeing.

Circles mission is to inspire, inform, and equip individuals, families, and community to resolve poverty and thrive.

Your Contact Information	
Name and Age	
Address	
Phone (<i>Best one on which to reach you</i>)	
E-Mail Address	
Place(s) of Employment:	
Work Phone	
Preferred Method of Contact & Best Time	

Primary Criteria for Participation	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Living at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (see page 2)
<input type="checkbox"/>	At least 18 years old
<input type="checkbox"/>	Speak and Read English
<input type="checkbox"/>	Able to attend Weekly Thursday evening Classes/Meetings at which a meal and childcare are provided
<input type="checkbox"/>	Motivated (interested in) learning and applying new ideas to help in moving out of poverty. (Comment at bottom of page if you wish.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	If there is a history of alcohol or other addiction, have you been in recovery for at least the past 6 months (Comment at bottom of page if you wish).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not currently un-housed (homeless). I have a current place of residence.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Currently not encountering domestic abuse

Family Information	
Spouse or Domestic Partner Name:	
Will spouse or partner participate with you in Circles? YES / NO (Circle One)	
Names of Children	Age(s)



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Background Information
1) What are you really good at? (Include skills or special training you may have)
2) What are you not so good at?
3) Please tell us where you heard about Circles?

Have you been convicted of a felony within the past 7 years?	YES / NO (Circle One)
Currently are there any pending court cases in which you are involved?	YES / NO (Circle One)
Are there any active warrants outstanding (to the best of your knowledge)?	YES / NO (Circle One)
Please explain a YES answer at the bottom of the page:	
<i>A felony or other conviction will not automatically exclude you from participating in Circles.</i>	
Person to Notify in Case of Emergency	
Name	
Relationship	
Address	
Phone (best contact)	
Agreement and Confidentiality Statement	
I will not disclose personal information that is shared by others in Circles classes/meetings.	
Name (printed)	
Signature	
Date	

Completed applications may either be turned in to the church office of Duncan Memorial United Methodist Church (201 Henry Street, Ashland, VA) or mailed to Circles Ashland, P. O. Box 247, Ashland, VA 23005.) If you need more information, please call 804-496-1212 or email recruitment@circlesashland-va.org

2016 Federal Poverty Guidelines: Source: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/01/25/2016-01450/annual-update-of-the-hhs-poverty-guidelines>

Household Size	100% (the poverty line)	150%	185%	200%
1	\$11,880	\$17,820	\$21,978	\$23,760
2	\$16,020	\$24,030	\$29,637	\$32,040
3	\$20,160	\$30,240	\$37,296	\$40,320
4	\$24,300	\$36,450	\$44,955	\$48,600
5	\$28,440	\$42,660	\$52,614	\$56,880
6	\$32,580	\$48,870	\$60,273	\$65,160
7	\$36,730	\$55,095	\$67,951	\$73,460
8	\$40,890	\$61,335	\$75,647	\$81,780