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MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

1. Members shall be drawn from organizations which address issues of importance to the community including animal and environmental protection, health and human services, community support and human/civil rights, healthy living, housing and hunger, literacy, arts and education, and violence prevention and safety. Such concepts as advocacy, education, social change, self help, and community action achieved democratically shall describe aspects of member organizations.
2. Community Shares works for progressive social change with a shared vision. Therefore, in all activities, agency applicants may not discriminate or limit participation on the basis of race, gender, class, creed, age, disability, nationality, sexual orientation, gender identity, or reproductive rights.
3. An agency applicant may not actively work against the programs or missions of our existing agencies.
4. Each member of Community Shares shall be self-determined, that is, not controlled by any other institution or organization; have a demonstrated base of community support; and have programs or services that have a demonstrated impact in a local area of the State of Ohio.
5. Member organizations shall have stated organizational goals and be able to document a pattern of success in reaching those goals.
6. Each member organization shall have 501(c)3 tax-exempt status, and have held this status for at least one year.
7. Participation in another fundraising federation prohibits Community Shares membership.