

If you organization has teams volunteering at several sites make certain <u>each Site Team Leader has a copy of these procedures, report form and emergency contact information for team members.</u>

## **General Safety Guidelines**

There is always the potential for injury and liability issues associated with Day of Caring, just as there is any time a volunteer offers his or her services. To avoid the potential hazards that can occur during any event of this nature, please review the safety guidelines to help ensure that Day of Caring is a rewarding and safe experience.

## Steps to Take If an Accident Happens

- Stay calm. Have all of the other volunteers stop working if there is any reason to believe that the work is unsafe, or if the volunteers simply cannot focus sufficiently on the project's task. Be sensitive to the mood and needs of the volunteers.
- Designate someone else to oversee the other volunteers so that you can focus on the injured volunteer.
- **Express concern** for the injured person and aid them in obtaining necessary treatment.
- Try to determine the seriousness of the accident. If the person has a serious injury call 911 immediately. Then call an emergency contact for the injured person and notify United Way of Yellowstone County Day of Caring emergency contact, Carol Burton, 406-670-5208.
- **Do not admit liability.** Try not to say anything about why you think the accident occurred or who may be at fault.
- Complete a United Way of Yellowstone County Accident/Incident Report Form and submit within 24 hours of the incident to the United Way office to the attention of Carol Burton, President and CEO.





| USE EXTRA PAGES IF NEEDED Activity/Event Name:  |                          |                             |  |  |
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| Person Injured: (if multiple people were injured attach their contact information to this page) |                          |                             |  |  |
| Name:   | Age:                     | M/F:                        |  |  |
| Address/City/State/Zip:   |                          |                             |  |  |
| Phone:  | E-mail:                  |                             |  |  |
| Name of Parent/Guardian (if minor):   |                          |                             |  |  |
| When did the accident/incident occur?   | ?                        |                             |  |  |
| Date:   | Time:                    |                             |  |  |
| Where did the accident/incident happe<br>SPECIFIC)  | en? (Place, address, oth | ner pertinent details.) (BE |  |  |
| What happened? (Describe FULLY what the individual/injured was doing at the time                | -                        |                             |  |  |
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## Did the incident result in an injury or illness requiring first aid or medical attention? YES / NO (If YES, complete Medical Report section) If NO, describe what action was taken: Did the incident result in any property damage? YES / NO (If YES, complete Property Damage Report section) Notifications: Was there an attempt made to notify an emergency contact? YES / NO If NO. Explain why: Person who made this notification: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_:\_\_ am pm Result of notification: TALKED WITH LEFT MESSAGE UNABLE TO REACH Contact's response: YES / NO Was the appropriate United Way Emergency Contact(s) notified? Person who made this notification: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_:\_\_ am pm Result of notification: TALKED WITH LEFT MESSAGE UNABLE TO REACH Person(s) who was notified: YES / NO Were others notified? Person who made this notification: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_:\_\_ am pm Result of notification: TALKED WITH LEFT MESSAGE UNABLE TO REACH Persons and/or groups who were notified: \_\_\_\_\_

| MEDICAL REPORT Describe the injuries or illness (visible signs/symptoms)                |          |
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| Was treatment given at the accident site?  If YES,                                      | YES / NO |
| Person and/or organization that performed treatment:  Describe what treatment was given |          |
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| Was person removed from the scene for medical care?  If YES,  By Whom:                  |          |
| Transported to where:   |          |
| Person Refused Medical Treatment If YES, Explanation:                                   | YES / NO |
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| PROPERTY DAMAGE REPORT  |          |
| Describe nature and extent of damage:   |          |
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## TWO WITNESSES ARE REQUIRED FOR REPORTS THAT INVOLVE A 911 CALL, POLICE REPORT, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR CAUSES A PARTICIPANT TO BE REFFERED FOR OUTSIDE MEDICAL ATTENTION.

| WITNESSESS Name:           | Name:                               |
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| Phone:                     |                                     |
| Address:                   | Address:                            |
| REPORT COMPLETED BY: Name: | Position Title:                     |
| Date:// Time::             |                                     |
| Signature                  |                                     |
|                            | be written on the back of this page |
| Additional Inciden         | t Follow-up Comments and Notes      |
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