

WeTHRIVE! Initiative

WeTHRIVE! Overall Model Resolution for Faith Based Organizations

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS the church, temple or other faith-based organization is the cornerstone of the community

WHEREAS the Bible tells us to honor the image of God which we are created “So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them and God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; have stewardship over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth’ God said ‘See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food.” (Genesis 1:27-29)

WHEREAS the Bible tells us that “Do you not know that your body is a sanctuary of the Holy Spirit who is in you, who you have from God? You are not your own.” (1 Corinthians 6:19)

WHEREAS health is defined as complete physical, mental, social, and spiritual wellbeing;

WHEREAS, a partnership with public health leverages and maximizes resources, tools, and provides subject matter experts that benefit the community.

WHEREAS, engaging in Hamilton County Public Health’s WeTHRIVE! initiative generates broad-based support for creating healthy environments where residents live, work, learn, worship, and play.

Thus, [Faith Based Organization Name] is dedicated to the spiritual growth of its members and community; as such we strive to practice good stewardship in all things including the body, mind, and spirit. We believe that we can serve the needs of our community through modeling healthy living at all congregational services and events.

The [Faith Based Organization Name] will create a WeTHRIVE! team will support health and wellness within the organization. A member of the team will serve as the liaison between the [Faith Based Organization Name] WeTHRIVE! Team and the [Community Name] WeTHRIVE! Team.

We believe that healthy eating, active living, and tobacco-free environments are important and practical applications of our faith and help give us the strength to live thriving, and spiritually healthy lives.

We believe in being prepared as a Faith Based Organization as well as encouraging members to be prepared.

We believe that healthy environments set the foundation for an organization helping [Faith Based Organization Name] meet the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of its congregation.

We understand the importance of partnering with public health to address strategies that impact the health, safety and vitality of [Faith Based Organization Name] and [Community Name].

Therefore it is the goal of, [Faith Based Organization Name] to create an environment that supports health and wellness by partnering with Hamilton County Public Health through the WeTHRIVE! Initiative.

Adopted by [Faith Based Organization] on [Date]

Signature of [Clergy Member Name]

[Clergy Member Role]