

CRITERIA FOR EXCLUSION

A person should be disqualified and prohibited from serving as a volunteer if the person has been found guilty of the following crimes:

Guilty means that a person was found guilty following a trial, entered a guilty plea, entered a no contest plea accompanied by a court finding of guilty, regardless of whether there was an adjudication of guilt (conviction) or a withholding of guilt. This recommendation does not apply if criminal charges resulted in acquittal, Nolle Prose, or dismissal.

SEX OFFENSES

- **All Sex Offenses** – *Regardless of the amount of time since offense.*
Examples include: child molestation, rape, sexual assault, sexual battery, sodomy, prostitution, solicitation, indecent exposure, etc.

FELONIES

- **All Felony Violence** – *Regardless of the amount of time since offense.*
Examples include: murder, manslaughter, aggravated assault, kidnapping, robbery, aggravated Burglary, etc.
- **All Felony offenses** other than **violence** or **sex** within the past 10 years.
Examples include: drug offenses, theft, embezzlement, fraud, child endangerment, etc.

MISDEMEANORS

- **All misdemeanor violence** offenses within the past 7 years
Examples include: simple assault, battery, domestic violence, hit & run, etc.
- **Two or more misdemeanor drug & alcohol offenses** within the past 7 years.
Examples include: driving under the influence, simple drug possession, drunk and disorderly, public intoxication, possession of drug paraphernalia, etc.
- **Any other misdemeanor** within the past 5 years that would be considered a potential danger to children or is directly related to the functions of that volunteer.

PENDING CASES

It is recommended that anyone who has been charged for any of the disqualifying offenses or for cases pending in court should not be permitted to volunteer until the official adjudication of the case.