

# VENTURA COUNTY SOBER LIVING COALITION

*A Fiscal Sponsee of the Sober Living Network*

## COALITION MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Internet Referral Listings at: [www.soberhousing.net](http://www.soberhousing.net)

Six day a week sober living referral service 1-800-799-2084

### DO NOT MAIL ANYTHING

Call **Rusty 805-231-4567** for an inspection appointment **AFTER you complete:** The Owner/Operator training, member application, all other required paperwork, and meet all other member requirements.

*If you don't pass the inspection, you will be required to pay a  
**\$50.00 Re-inspection fee each time the inspector must come out***

Coalition membership **demonstrates** that your Sober Living Home is a sober environment, healthy, safe, well managed and ethical. The **Ventura County Sober Living Coalition is a membership association for quality homes.** Once all membership requirements have been met, you will be accepted as a full member of the Coalition. Your home will be placed on the Quality Sober Living Home Referral 800 number, and provided with a listing on the Approved Housing Referral pages on the Sober Living Network website. An Approved Certification will be made available for pick up at your next coalition meeting.

### These are the membership requirements:

1. Complete the membership application and review the membership requirements. Complete the application with the following attachments:
  - **A signed copy of the Code of Ethics, signed by owners and managers.**
  - **The endorsement page of your liability insurance coverage. \$500,000 minimum.**
  - **A copy of brochure (information sheet), guest agreement, rules and policies.**
  - **Copies of owners and managers training certificates.**
2. Prepare the **\$225 application fee payable to the Sober Living Network.** Add \$175 for additional homes.
3. Prepare your home for inspection by reviewing the Pre-Inspection Instructions and Inspection Check List. Preparation is essential to avoid a follow up visit. (You will be charged \$50 for each re-inspection.)
4. Call an inspector to set up an appointment for inspection.
5. The inspector will prepare a summary sheet with comments for any improvements.
6. While your membership is being processed, (this may take 30 – 60 days) or longer if you are not prepared. Attend all monthly coalition meetings and events. You will be removed if you miss 3 consecutive meetings or 4 total per calendar year and required to complete the application process over, including paying the full \$225 membership fee again.

Sober living homes do not provide services covered under the State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP) alcohol & drug facility licensing requirements as stated in Chapter 5, Title 9, California Code of Regulations, and Subchapter 1: Purpose and Definitions. The following are relevant excerpts from current State law:

*... No person ... shall operate a facility which provides 24-hour nonmedical, residential, alcoholism or drug abuse recovery or treatment services to adults without first obtaining a license from the Department of Alcohol & Drug Programs (ADP). (CA Code of Regulations §10505) "Alcoholism or Drug Abuse Recovery or Treatment Service" means a service which is designed to promote treatment and maintain recovery from alcohol and drug problems which includes one or more of the following: detoxification, group sessions, individual sessions, educational sessions, and/or alcoholism or drug abuse recovery or treatment planning. (CCR §10501 (5))*