

Volunteer Application
Bell County Law Enforcement Center
J.A.I.L. Ministry, Inc.

All blanks within this application must be filled in completely. Any areas left blank will delay the processing of your application.

If a blank does not apply enter N/A in the blank.

Thank you for being obedient to “The Great Commission”
Your blessing is guaranteed in heaven!

“ . . . I was in prison, and you came to me.”

Ref. Matthew 25:36 NASB

“ . . . To the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me.”

Ref. Matthew 25:40 NASB

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DATE: _____ SEX: M _____ F _____ RACE: _____

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST: _____ MI: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ST.: _____

ZIP: _____ HOME TELEPHONE: _____ WORK TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____ CHURCH MEMBERSHIP: _____

PASTOR: _____ CHURCH ADDRESS: _____

CHURCH PHONE: _____ CHURCH EMAIL: _____

WHY DO YOU WANT TO MINISTER TO INMATES? _____

IF YOU WERE TO DIE RIGHT NOW, WHY SHOULD GOD LET YOU ENTER INTO HIS HEAVEN?

On the reverse side of this form you may write your Salvation experience.

DO'S

1. Be yourself
2. Be a good listener
3. Follow all established rules and guidelines
4. Seek help when needed.
5. Be courteous and cooperative.
6. Share personal testimonies and reports of victory and answered prayer.
7. Know Jesus Christ as your personal Savior.
8. Be willing to learn.

DON'TS

1. Don't "Preach" at an inmate. Try to help an inmate establish a healthy respect for him or herself.
2. Don't ask an inmate about his or her crime.
3. Don't make promises you can't keep.
4. Don't visit the inmate's family or friends without his or her permission and consent.
5. Don't take sides against authorities.
6. Don't argue with inmates.
7. Don't be manipulated or "Conned" by inmates.
8. Don't run errands, deliver messages, or make phone calls for inmates.
9. Don't stress denomination or doctrine. Stress Jesus Christ and His Lordship.

I UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE GUIDELINES FOR MINISTERING IN THE BELL COUNTY JAIL THROUGH J.A.I.L. MINISTRY, INC. AND I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT I AM RESPONSIBLE AND ACCOUNTABLE FOR FOLLOWING THEM.

SIGNATURE

DATE

APPROVED BY CHAPLAIN

DATE

10. Other Don'ts – I understand the following:

- Don't Start late
- Don't Discuss inmate's guilt or innocence
- Don't Discuss other inmate circumstances
- Don't Give or accept gifts or favors
- Don't Carry contraband or messages
- Don't Discuss conditions of confinement
- Don't Use profane language
- Don't Give out your telephone number or address
- Don't Wear provocative clothing
- Don't Wear gang clothing or paraphernalia
- Don't Wear clothing with advertisements
- Don't Give an inmate anything

I understand all of the rules and agree to abide by them. Further, I also understand that I must treat all inmates equally and fairly without regard to race, sex, national origin, religious preference, or physical disability.

In view of this, I further agree to be sensitive of other programs viewpoints, which may not be of my own persuasion. I will likewise keep my program efforts from conflicting with those rights.

Acknowledged by me this _____ day of _____ 20_____.

Program Volunteer Signature

Please Print Name

The above volunteer has received orientation in compliance with the rules of the Bell County Law Enforcement Center. Further it (is) (is not) anticipated that the volunteer will spend more than thirty (30) hours per month within the facility.*

Program Officer Signature

Date

*State law requires the testing of any such volunteer on an annual basis. If test is required, attach BCJA81

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Standards for Volunteer Programs

I have been approved as a volunteer worker to provide certain programming and opportunities to inmates confined in the Bell County Law Enforcement Center. In connection with my application and this approval, I hereby agree to the following terms and conditions.

1. **Contraband** – I understand that inmates are not allowed to receive anything from me. This means I cannot even lend a pen to them without possible disciplinary action against the inmate and my removal from the facility.
2. **Program materials** – I understand that a jail officer will screen and authorize the delivery of any legitimate program materials according to facility guidelines on quantity, content, and circumstance.
3. **Personal belongings** – I agree to secure my personal belongings prior to entering the facility. Purses and other items are not allowed. Money and car keys are discouraged.
4. **Searches** – I understand that any person entering or leaving the facility is subject to search. Possession of alcohol, weapons, or controlled substances is a felony and will be aggressively prosecuted.
5. **Attire** – I understand that my personal appearance must be acceptable in that no tight fitting, revealing, or provocative clothing will be allowed. Jewelry and other such accompaniments are discouraged.
6. **Safety** – I will follow all instructions given to me by jail officers promptly and without question. In the event of a disturbance, I will back up against a wall and not interfere with the duties of the officer.
7. **Obligation to report** – I understand that state law requires me to report criminal activity that is known to me in such cases as escape plans and threats to the personal safety of employees, volunteers and others.
8. **Personal contact** – I understand that my contact with inmates must be kept on a professional program level and that I cannot deliver messages or money to, from, or for any inmate.
9. **Pre-existing relationship** – I will report to the program officer any relationship within the jail such as a friend or relative being confined. This will protect the integrity of the programs.
10. **Offense** – If at anytime after being accepted as a J.A.I.L. Ministry Volunteer I am charged with an offense in Bell County, the State of Texas or the United States, I will within one week of the offense notify the Executive Director of J.A.I.L. Ministry in writing. I may be asked to resign as a J.A.I.L. Ministry Volunteer.



Criminal History Information Form

Please Print Legibly if not typed. Use drop down boxes where available.

This information is only used as identifying a person; not a hiring tool.

Name: _____
Last, First, Middle – full name

Suffix or ALL previous legal names: _____

Date of Birth: _____
MM/DD/YYYY

Social Security #: _____

Race: _____ Gender: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____
M/F Feet & Inches LBS

Hair Color (as of today): _____ Eye Color: _____

Driver's License #: _____ Class: _____ State: _____

Physical Address: _____
Street Number & Name City State ZIP

Telephone: _____ Place of Birth: _____
City, State or Town/Country

Bell County Sheriff's Department – Sheriff Eddy Lange
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jenny.clay@bellcounty.texas.gov

AUTHORITY TO RELEASE INFORMATION

County Employees entering CJIS area other than trained TCIC/NCIC staff

This release, when presented by a duly authorized representative of the Bell County Sheriff's Department, constitutes my consent and authority to examine and obtain copies and abstracts of records and to receive statements and information regarding my background.

Specifically, I authorize the release of the following data or records to the Bell County Sheriff's Department: *Police and Criminal; Motor Vehicle and Driving; Polygraph Examinations; and the UNDELETED copy my military separation document from the appropriate Military Records Center and Department of Veterans Affairs.*

This authorization is given in connection with a background investigation being conducted relative to my application for, or continued employment with, the County of Bell and for the purposes of entry into areas where CJIS requirements apply. The intent of this authorization is to provide full applicant-authorized access to the criminal history history and fingerprinting of applicant, and CJIS training for the specific purpose of pursuing an investigation, which may provide pertinent data for the County of Bell, to consider my suitability for employment.

I understand that any information obtained by a criminal history background investigation, which is developed directly or indirectly, in whole or in part upon this release authorization, will be considered in determining my suitability for employment by the County of Bell and conducted by the Bell County Sheriff's Department. I understand that all materials pertaining to this background investigation become the property of the Bell County Sheriff's Department and will not be returned to me.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the person to whom this request is presented and his/her agents and employees, from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of or by reason of complying with this request. I further understand that in the event my application is disapproved, the confidential information or source of information will not be revealed to me.

I understand that in the event the investigating agency finds criminal conduct that does not meet the CJIS requirements, or that I do meet the requirement for CJIS, the investigating agency has my permission to disclose only a 'pass or fail' notice to the hiring manager for the County of Bell.

A photocopy of this release form will be valid as an original hereof, even though the said photocopy does not contain an original writing of my signature.

Applicant's Printed Full Name: _____
Address: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Last four of Social Security Number: _____

Do not fill out the signature line until in presence of Notary:

Applicant Signature: _____

Notary Signature: _____ Notary Printed Name: _____ Commission Expires: _____
Sworn to and signed before me, on the _____ day of _____, 20____, in and for Bell County, in the State of Texas.