

Purpose

The Coordinating Council has established the following policy regarding consumption of alcoholic beverages or use of drugs and tobacco in our buildings and at on-site gatherings.

The Congregation wishes to ensure that UU PEACE Fellowship:

- Complies with the laws of the state of North Carolina that apply to alcoholic beverages and drugs;
- Is responsive to the needs and concerns of those who struggle with alcoholism and drug-related addictions.
- Promotes a clear understanding of the acceptable options to all groups who use the facility

Responsibilities

Council:

On behalf of the congregation, administers the policy, reviews and updates it as needed. It responds to any conflicts with or exceptions to this policy.

Committees and Members/Friends (acting as an event sponsors or coordinator):

Evaluate any activity they sponsor to ensure compliance of their event/activity with this policy, and to notify the Council if they have any concerns.

Committees or groups that plan for refreshments at UUPF functions should be considerate of the needs of those who do not use alcohol. It is the responsibility of the committee, group or individual sponsoring or organizing an event to determine and publicize/describe whether or not the event will offer alcohol.

Building & Grounds/Rentals:

Insures that a renter's' signed contract states the permitted uses of drugs/alcohol/tobacco. For all events, identifies (if requested) a secured temporary-storage space for alcoholic beverage.

Drugs Policy

No recreational drugs are permitted on any part of the property by any group or person for any circumstances.

Tobacco Policy

The building is a non-smoking facility. Smoking is restricted to outside and no nearer than 50 feet from any entrance; and never during UUPF events in the outdoor areas.

Alcohol Policy

Options:

Alcohol is permitted at UUPF-sponsored or affiliated functions within the parameters described in this policy; During any event associated to UUPF, all organizers must remain sensitive to those who may have issues with the proximity and availability of alcohol during the event, committee meetings and work sessions (both on and off site).

- Allowable alcohol use at UUPF-affiliated functions on UUPF property is limited to beer and wine.
- Not allowed: BYOB (bring your own alcohol) is not permitted for any events that are open to the public.
- Alcohol left at UUPF must be locked in a secure location to minimize access by under-age persons.

Permits:

If money is being collected for the alcoholic beverages, a single event license (one each) for selling wine and/or beer shall be obtained from the NC ABC board and displayed where the beverages are being served.

Publicizing events where alcohol is served:

Publicity and registration materials for UUPF-affiliated events should clearly indicate if alcohol will or will not be served. When there are multiple UUPF-sponsored events around a similar topic, such as a series of cottage meetings, the committee or group coordinating the series will provide for, and advertise specific alcohol-free gatherings. When alcoholic beverages are served, it is the responsibility of the committee or group sponsoring the event to identify persons responsible for serving alcohol at the event, ensure they are familiar with this and related guidelines and policies, and insure that alternative beverages of similar quality and food will both be available.

Non-Fellowship Events

UUPF rental contracts may set stricter alcohol policies for use of the building/site than is set forth in this policy.