

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS

### Definition of Closed and Open Groups

#### Closed Groups

Groups or organizations that have a closed membership to the public.

#### Open Groups

Groups or organizations that allow for an open membership to the public at some point in time. Open meetings and an open invitation to the public to attend an activity could qualify a group as an open group.

Criteria to determine open group status:

- a. Notification of the group's meeting in the local school newsletter or notification as per (b) below. This may be waived by the Supervisor of Community Services if previously published or it is common knowledge that the meeting is open.
- b. Notification in the Community Services brochure, the Buyer's Guide, City Pages, or the Daily Herald newspaper.
- c. The group may set a reasonable limit to their membership, as submitted to the Community Services office, e.g. Open Men's Basketball -20 members.
- d. A meeting or activity that is open to the public. Interested persons can walk in on the day of the activity.
- e. It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide proof of the public notification to the Community Services office.
- f. All resident youth groups that are organized for community recreation or educational services will be considered open.
- g. Youth groups that have had, at one time, an open membership and, subsequently, organize an activity will be considered open for that particular activity.

### Definition of Non-Resident and Resident

#### Resident

Membership of a group that is comprised of over 50% district residents.

#### Non-Resident

Membership of a group that is comprised of less than 50% district residents.

The Supervisor of Community Services may waive the non-resident fee for organizations that sponsor activities that are designed expressly to enhance the D.C. Everest community for the benefit of its residents.

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