

BG NEIGHBORS AID NETWORK: MISSION & CORE VALUES

BGN is a nonprofit, secular organization aimed at mitigating the most dangerous effects of poverty for our unhoused neighbors through an ever-broadening community resource network and direct street outreach. From breaking societal and class barriers to breaking bread with our neighbors, we believe that everyone has a right to shelter, security and dignity.



DIGNITY

We treat all people, housed or unhoused, with dignity and respect.

COMPASSION

We meet people where they are- literally and figuratively. We prioritize people and human life over property.



ACCOUNTABILITY

We are honest with our members and our neighbors about our capacities and limitations- we share the weight. We are transparent about our funding sources and how we use the donations we receive. We expect our teammates to lovingly point out when we inevitably make a mistake. When we err, we apologize. When an apology is made, we offer grace. We believe in second chances.



NON-JUDGEMENT

We recognize that the lifestyles of folks experiencing poverty and our unhoused neighbors are as diverse as any community. We believe that every human being has a right to shelter, food and water regardless of race, religion, gender identity, sexual orientation, criminal background, level of sobriety, economic status or ability level.



COMMUNITY

We know that we are all better together and no one is meant to walk alone in life. On the streets, in our meetings, and working with other organizations, we prioritize relationships- even if that means narrowing the quantity of people we are able to serve.



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