



Consent to participate in an evaluation

Fishing for Life and the Department of Public Safety’s Minnesota Office of Justice Programs would like to hear about your experiences in the Reel Hope program. We are working with Wilder Research in St. Paul, MN to help collect information from participants and their families about the program. The results of this study will help Fishing for Life improve their services.

With your permission, the participant in the program **may be** asked to participate in one or more of the following evaluation activities:

- A short, confidential survey that asks about their feelings and experiences about this program. Anyone who completes the survey can be entered into a drawing for a \$50 gift card.
- An interview (by phone or in person) with staff from Wilder Research. The interview should take approximately 20 minutes to complete. Anyone who completes the interview will be given a \$20 Target gift card in appreciation for their time.

Important things to know:

- Participation is completely **voluntary**. The decision to participate or not to participate will not affect the services the participant receive. If asked to participate in a survey or interview, the participant also has the right to say no, and to skip or refuse any question asked.
- The survey and interview are **confidential, except** if evaluation staff are told that a minor participant is in immediate physical danger. Evaluation staff must pass information about immediate physical danger on to program staff or authorities. Evaluation staff will advise you of this before beginning the interview.
- Nothing identifiable including names will be shared with the program or the Office of Department of Public Safety’s Minnesota Office of Justice Program. Only non-identifiable information collected will be shared with funders, community and government programs, and others interested in this program.
- Your authorization is valid for 3 years from the date of signing. However, you may remove authorization and discontinue your participation in the evaluation at any time by contacting Naw-Amelia at naw-amelia.kacher@wilder.org.

Please indicate your consent below by checking the appropriate response for each item.

I give permission for the **participant** of this program to participate in **the survey**.

- Yes No

I give permission for the **participant** of this program to participate in **the interview**, if selected.

- Yes No

Contact information:

Name (please print): _____

Name of participant: _____

Mobile number: _____ Other phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Preferred method of contact (SELECT ALL THAT APPLY)

- Email Mobile number Other phone number

Date signed: _____ Signature: _____

Please return this to phil@fishingforlife.org OR naw-amelia.kacher@wilder.org as soon as you've completed.