

Migrant Trail Walk: We Walk for Life 2008 Participation Agreement

I agree to abide by the following disciplines:

1. I will convey through my words, symbols, and actions an attitude of openness, friendliness, and respect toward all people we encounter, including representatives of groups with differing perspectives.
2. I will participate in all meetings of my specified team and all main group reflections, discussions, and information sharing. I agree to help with other team activities as needed. If I should miss a meeting for any reason, I will abide by the group consensus.
3. I agree to maintain quiet from 8 p.m. until morning so that others can rest. I will arise by the designated hour, ready to share group chores and responsibility and move out on schedule.
4. I will refrain from using insults, put-downs, swearing, or verbal assaults upon any person.
5. I will refrain from use of drugs, alcohol, or weapons of any kind. I will refrain from sexually inappropriate behavior on this trip.
6. I am willing to learn new methods or customs related to moving and being in other people's space. As we will be traveling through fragile desert ecosystems, I agree to "tread carefully," which includes the carrying out of all garbage, and staying within designated camping areas.
7. I will wear my seatbelt while being transported. I understand that when a driver of a van calls for quiet, or requests that I ride instead of walk, I will comply and not object.
8. I agree to take responsibility for myself and to use my voice responsibly to share with the group what is and isn't going well.
9. I will respect the day's schedule, and the decisions of the designated leaders. I will obey all road safety rules, including walking in single and double-file in the appropriate places.
10. I understand that it is important that I be attentive to communication between the group. I agree to turn my cell phone off and use it only in cases of emergency. I will not use headphones for the duration of the Walk.
11. In case of conflict, I agree to abide by the decisions of the group leaders.

The Migrant Trail Planning Group has worked hard to develop fair guidelines for living together in community under potentially conflictive circumstances. The guidelines were developed by those who have participated in the walk, and their accumulated wisdom is reflected in this document. We recognize that special issues might arise. In these cases, please come forward to speak with one of the designated leaders.

Participant's signature: _____

Signature of guardian if under 18: _____

Date: _____