

# Friendship Guild

## Preamble

Friendship Guilds are small, independent, friendship orientated groups of ordinary people, the primary purpose of which are to establish and maintain meaningful platonic relationships.

This is achieved through a process of learning about each other at structured weekly meetings, where members share, in a confidential environment, things like, how their day is going, where they're at in life, their aspirations, their struggles, and the good stuff too. In addition, if time allows, there is an open-floor discussion where participants are encouraged to respond to thought provoking questions.

Each group is self governing and financially independent. Group expenses are met from voluntary contributions garnered during a collection made at the end of each meeting.

### **Guild Etiquette in brief:**

1. No one decides who is or is not a member of any group.
2. No group should promote itself as serving a particular demographic.
3. Friendship Guild is not for dating.
4. FG groups should not accumulate wealth.
5. Service and contribution is voluntary.

### **Meeting Etiquette in brief:**

1. Adherence to meeting format, structure and etiquette, is required.
2. Members should treat in confidence everything they hear at a Friendship Guild meeting.
3. Avoid Cross-talking when it is your turn to share.
4. Avoid controversial or divisive topics.

If you would like a more detailed explanation of Guild and Meeting Etiquette go to [FriendshipGuild.Org](http://FriendshipGuild.Org)

Thank you for listening.