

Village in Action-Criteria for Community Partners

“Let us not **love** with words or tongue, but **with action** and **in truth**” (1 John 3:18)

A community partner organization is:

- An organization that displays a clear fit to the VCB Strategic Plan
- Fiscally sound
- Classified as a 501(c)(3) with not for profit status with the IRS
- Focused on serving the under-resourced
- Providing opportunities for VCB members and attenders to serve in various activities (not just financial support)
- Willing to develop and engage in relationship building
- Communicating their needs regularly to us
- Willing to invest time to train our volunteers
- Multiple VCB members are currently **actively** participating (internal champions are ready and available)

What can a community partner expect of us?

- A yearly review
- A willingness to participate in volunteer activities
- A forum to promote their ministry/mission (LLEC time, VCB news, e-news)
- Time to develop our relationship
- Open communication and dialogue
- A liaison to be the primary contact at VCB (internal champion)

What can we expect from a community partner?

- Fiscal responsibility
- A willingness to communicate their mission and needs to both our leadership team and the congregation
- Opportunities to serve for VCB members and attenders, along with any necessary training
- A single point of contact to interact with our liaison
- Sharing stories and testimonials with us to communicate to the congregation

“Moving out in Christ’s love; making a difference in people’s lives”