

Solicitation and Posting

Posting Information

General information boards are located on the main floor of most halls. Any information that is to be posted in more than one residence hall on staff boards must be approved by either the director, associate director or assistant directors of Housing. The University will not approve any information that is deemed to be racist, homophobic, sexist, indecent, scandalous, illegal, inciting or in any way oppressive in nature. All materials to be posted should be given to the ACD via the hall desk. Materials will be posted by residence hall staff. Any materials posted without approval or posted in an inappropriate location will be removed. RHA, hall government and staff posters do not require approval, but they will be removed if their contents or location violate the posting policy.

Solicitation

Solicitation/canvassing is defined as the urging, inciting, requesting or advising a person or persons to adopt an idea, contribute to a cause or purchase merchandise and/or services for personal profit or organizational gain. Eastern Michigan University's solicitation policy is divided into the five categories listed below. A brief description is provided for each area.

Political Campaigns

Campaigning is permitted only in the residence hall lobbies. Permission must be obtained from the area complex director in the residence hall and the campaigners must agree to follow all appropriate guidelines. Campaigners may request to address the hall government, but contributions may not be solicited and any campaigners who create a disturbance will be asked to leave the hall.

Nonprofit Solicitation

Leafleting, distribution and solicitation by University organizations for non-revenue-producing purposes is permitted in residence hall lobbies and Dining Commons foyers (not in the cafeteria) as long as approval has been obtained from the area complex director or Dining Commons manager and there is no interference with the normal operation of the facilities.

Food Sales

In order to protect the residents from the possible spread of disease and to comply with the guidelines as prescribed by law, sales of unsealed food by non-residence hall groups will not be permitted in the halls. Residence hall governments and staff, in cooperation with unit food service managers, may conduct limited food sales for special occasions. Individuals may not sell food or beverages in the residence halls.

Commercial Solicitation

No door-to-door sales may take place in residence halls at any time. Students may invite individual salespeople to their rooms for the purpose of buying or information gathering. The University assumes no

responsibility for financial commitments or losses by a student. No residence hall facilities other than student rooms may be used for these presentations. Advertising and providing services for commercial sales, e.g., hair care, nail care or massages are not permitted in the residence halls.

Sales by Student Organizations

All requests for approval must be submitted in writing to each area complex director no later than 72 hours prior to the proposed time of the sale. In cases where a conflict of interest may develop between what an organization wishes to sell and what the area complex director would deem appropriate, the ACD will refer the matter to the associate director of Housing.

Note: All door-to-door canvassing/soliciting is prohibited. Any canvassing/soliciting that is to take place in the lobby or foyer of a building must be approved by the Area Complex Director/Associate Director of Housing.