

DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER AND ITS AFFILIATED EMPLOYERS BACKGROUND CHECK NOTIFICATION and AUTHORIZATION for VOLUNTEERS

PREFACE

In response to the issue of sexual abuse of children by those in the employ of the Church, the United States Bishops in 2002 adopted the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*. One of the provisions of the *Charter* calls for each diocese in the country to implement checks to determine if a current or prospective volunteer who works with minor children and youth has a criminal record or is listed on any sex offender registry. The Diocese extends that protection to vulnerable adults too. Because these checks are conducted on behalf of the Parish/Diocese by a third party they are subject to the Fair Credit Reporting Act; however, these checks **do not** seek information related to an individual's credit history or credit worthiness. The purpose of the check will be to verify the individual's identity and to ascertain if there is any previous criminal record. A report on your credit history will not be requested or obtained.

It is important to note that the purpose of this authorization form is to obtain background checks to help maintain a safe environment for children, young people and vulnerable adults. In order for these record checks to occur, the authorization must be signed. The Fair Credit Reporting Act provides the opportunity to address any negative information gained as a result of the criminal record check. In addition, by signing this authorization the individual does not waive any rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

A. NOTIFICATION THAT A CONSUMER REPORT MAY BE OBTAINED

In compliance with the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15, U.S.C. §1681 et seq., as amended, and applicable state law, this notice is to inform you that a consumer report may be obtained in connection with your volunteer service

<u>St Pius X Church or School, Rochester</u> Name and location of parish/institution

The Fair Credit Reporting Act includes within the definition of consumer reports such documents as credit bureau reports, motor vehicle records, sex offender records, and criminal records.

B. AUTHORIZATION TO OBTAIN CONSUMER REPORT

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By signing below, I certify that I have received written notification that ______ St Pius X Church or School, Rochester_____

Name and location of parish/institution

or its agent, AUTHENTICA, may obtain information for a consumer report including checks of public records relating to criminal convictions, sex offender records and data associated with my Social Security Number available through credit bureaus to verify my Social Security Number and motor vehicle records.

I authorize <u>St Pius X Church or School, Rochester</u> or its agent, AUTHENTICA, to obtain such a report Name and location of parish/institution for use in connection with my volunteer service.

This authorization does not include authorization to obtain a report on my credit history or credit worthiness. Name and location of parish/institution

I hereby authorize <u>St Pius X Church or School, Rochester</u> or its agent, AUTHENTICA, to contact the Name and location of parish/institution

individuals, employers, and organizations referenced in my application and I also authorize those individuals, employers, or organizations to provide the <u>St Pius X Church or School, Rochester</u> or its agent, AUTHENTICA, with all Name and location of parish/institution

information regarding general character and fitness for volunteer service.

Signature of Volunteer



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Release of Claims

I hereby release all parties, including AUTHENTICA, from liability for any damage that may result from furnishing such information to . <u>St Pius X Church or School, Rochester.</u> Name and location of parish/institution

By this release I do not relinquish my rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

Applicant's Name PRINTED	Social Security Number	Date

Other last names/Alias/AKA's used in the last 7 years*	Applicant's Date of Birth*

(Utilized for criminal and academic checks only)

Please list all addresses that you have lived in within the last seven (7) years including the current one.

Address	State	Years of	Residency	Zip Code
		From:	To:	
NYS Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) check	required?	Yes 🗌 No		

Driver's'	License #	

Signature of Volunteer

Date

Verification of birth date (Parish/Institution representative must verify birth date by checking one of the following forms of identification and signing below).

Driver's license

Birth Certificate

Passport 🗔

State

Signature of Parish/Institution Representative