



**SPONSOR APPLICATION**

Sponsorship of a candidate is one of the many important contributions a Cursillista can make to the Cursillo Movement. It is an action that should be entered into only after a thorough consideration of all the factors involved. The final decision should be made only after prayer and God’s guidance has been sought.

Please fill out this application as completely as you can and return it to a member of the Secretariat or to the address provided at the end of the application. Applications should be submitted as soon as they are completed. When we have a sufficient number of candidates, weekends will be confirmed.

The most successful sponsorships have come as a result of group reunion and Ultreya participation. Share your thoughts concerning each prospective candidate with your group and members of your Ultreya community; request their opinions and their prayers and then make your final decision. One of the factors considered by the Secretariat is whether the sponsor is an active member of a group reunion. Since the sponsor declares a commitment to guide the new Cursillista into his or her Fourth Day following the weekend, the support of an active group reunion is important. The sponsor should be prepared to maintain guidance for a period of time; one year is suggested.

**\*\*PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY\*\***

Sponsor’s Name \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
  Last  First

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
                                Street  City  State  Zip

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Present Parish \_\_\_\_\_ Date joined \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor’s Cursillo: When? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_ Cursillo # \_\_\_\_\_

Are you active in a group reunion?    Yes \_\_\_    No \_\_\_

Candidate’s Name \_\_\_\_\_ Candidate’s Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Does your proposed candidate understand that he/she is being invited to be supported by a community which is centered in Jesus Christ?    Yes \_\_\_    No \_\_\_

Experience has shown that most successful sponsorships are the result of a relatively intimate knowledge of the candidate, his/her family environment, and personality traits. It is suggested that the sponsor should know the candidate for a period of at least one year. How long have you known your candidate?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ What is your relationship with your candidate? \_\_\_\_\_

Since the weekend is active, intense and physically demanding, *the Team must know if the candidate might have difficulty maintaining the pace.* Health impairment details must be included in the application. Does the candidate have, or has he/she had emotional, marital/relationship, physical or alcoholic/drug problems? If so, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the candidate have any dietary needs that will require preparation of special meals? If so, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions pertaining to the spiritual nature of the weekend should be directed to the spiritual advisor of the Cursillo Movement. If the potential candidate is widowed, separated or divorced, it is important for you to know how well they have adjusted to their circumstances before you suggest a Cursillo to them. Waiting a year following the loss of their spouse is recommended.

Since the Eucharist is so central to the essence of the weekend, only those Catholics who are eligible to receive Communion should attend. Do you and your candidate understand that Catholics married outside the church, without the blessing of the Catholic Church, cannot attend the weekend? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Why, in your opinion, should this candidate make a Cursillo? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Your candidate may be on the verge of committing his/her life to Christ. As a sponsor, are you willing to make a commitment to the following responsibilities?

Provide transportation to the send-off and be available to assist his/her family, should an emergency arise? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Write a personal palanca letter for him/her (describing your palanca ... prayer and self-sacrifice), for the candidates in general, and secure letters from the candidate's spouse, family, and close friends?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Attend the closing and provide transportation to bring your candidate home? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Get your candidate into a group reunion immediately? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Take your candidate to Ultreya after the weekend? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Offer daily palanca for your candidate? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

For married candidates, applications for the Cursillo should be submitted for both spouses at the same time. Assure that separate applications for each spouse are complete and that all necessary signatures are provided. If one spouse will not be attending the Cursillo, the spiritual advisor for the Movement must be notified.

To avoid disappointment, do not make a commitment to candidates for any specific weekend. Sponsors and candidates will be notified by email or mail of their acceptance. Upon receipt of notification, sponsors should contact their candidates and confirm their intentions to attend. Sponsors will then advise a member of the Secretariat as soon as possible so that openings, created by candidates who are unable to attend, can be filled by other potential candidates.

Sponsor's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's Pastor: Are you aware of any reason why this candidate should not make a Cursillo? Please comment: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor signature \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_

**RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATIONS AND DEPOSITS TO A MEMBER OF THE SECRETARIAT!**  
You can also email the applications to [palmbeachcursillo@gmail.com](mailto:palmbeachcursillo@gmail.com).