

Community Coach Connections

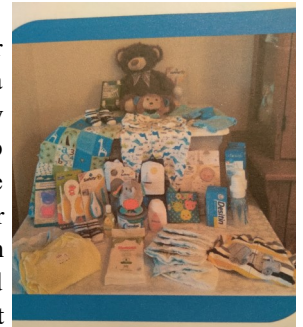


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YavapaiReentryProject.org

Bea's Closet helping new mothers in the community

Bea's Closet was founded in 2019 after one of the volunteers, while helping to fill backpacks for foster children, learned of a few needs that DCS had that were not being consistently met. The organization is a tribute to Bea Medina who along with her husband, Frank, were committed foster parents for many years. We provide emergency clothing for children, food gift cards, baby bins for foster parents to help them in providing for the needs of a new infant placement, and 'special needs' meaning anything that we can help DCS with. We have recently expanded to help other agencies that assist families. Our diaper pantry is the most popular feature, having given out over 8,000 diapers in 2021 alone. As we have seen the need for diaper assistance, one of our future goals is to establish an actual diaper bank for the quad cities area. We function completely on donations, either tangible and/or monetary. If you have a need that we can help fulfill please contact (928-458-0819) or email: beasclosetaz3@gmail.com.



Vicki- Providing a starter bin filled with all the things a new mother would need for their child. We are so thankful for the wonderful help you provide to new mothers.

Participant Spotlight



Neil Lundy

My name is Neil Lundy. I am 35-years-old. For the last 15+ years I had a substance abuse disorder and couldn't manage my life in a productive, responsible manner. When my choices lead me to jail and homelessness I didn't know what to do. I couldn't achieve goals the way others seemed to do.

After bouncing in and out of jail several times, I finally found out about the Yavapai Reentry Project (YRP). Unfortunately, the same jail stay I learned of YRP I was sent to prison. A short time later I was released and I quickly reached out to YRP. The Program Assistant met me right away and offered enough support to give me hope that it is possible to overcome the problems that addiction recidivism cause. I learned there were resources available for everything I might need to re-enter the community successfully.

I've now been free of incarceration for about 5 months. I have achieved the goals I set for myself within that time frame. I want to thank the Yavapai Reentry Project's staff and supporters for being instrumental in my success this far in my recovery.

Neil- We see your hard work and dedication to making healthy, positive changes for yourself. We are proud of your continued positive progress. Keep up the great work!

Let's Celebrate Success in December!

Celebrating **three** people successfully completing the program in December!

December Enrollments: **2**

Total justice-involved individuals assisted : **246**

Resources



- Marijuana is more potent than ever. Learn more about [today's marijuana](#).



- Did you know that counterfeit pills laced with fentanyl are killing our youth? Learn more at TalkNowAZ.com.