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Bud's Transitional Living

At the end of 2009, Charles "Bud" Culwell was running his sponsor's properties in Prescott Valley. He started by evicting individuals who were still active in their addiction. Three days into the job he called his boss and told him that there were 4 active substance users sleeping in the house. His boss told him to put them to work if they'll work. Soon there were 7 guys there with no jobs, no vehicles, and nowhere to live. Concerned, Bud called his boss again who repeated his former directive to put them to work. Bud did just that and before he knew it they were getting vehicles, getting on their feet, and moving out.

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This house became the first Bud's Transitional Living (BTL) house for men, a 12-step-based sober living program. In 2016, a men's house opened. BTL's first women's house opened in mid-2019. And the newest

men's house opened last month. Bud's now has approximately 40 beds and works closely with other community programs to help people in recovery make meaningful life changes in a safe environment. For further information contact BTL's Program Director Angie at (928)379-9206 or email Angie@budstransitionalliving.com.

BLT—We are very thankful for Bud and Angie. They are a light in the darkness. They continue to help those in our community that are ready to turn their lives around.

Participant Spotlight



Cole Honchar

This journey started when I was twenty-six years old and became addicted to drugs. My addiction got so bad, I ended up getting my first DUI. Afterwards, I was placed on probation and went on the run.

In the midst of all of this, I found a program called the Yavapai Reentry Project. They attempted to help me, but my addiction got the best of me, and I lost who I was. After going on the run, I got arrested and spent two months in jail.

During this time, Kendall and Clarissa never left my side. Once I got out of jail, they supported me while getting into treatment. They got me a bike and a life coach. My life coach, Bob, took me to get my license, gave me a laptop, and continues to help with real-world advice. I went to a treatment facility. After I graduated, I got a job at the treatment center I graduated from.

Now, I am five months sober, trying to help others get to where I am. I truly don't know where I'd be today without the help of YRP. To this day, I continue my journey in sobriety by going to meetings and surrounding myself with those who uplift me in my achievements. I'd like to thank

the YRP for being a part of my journey.

Cole—We saw you struggle but not give up. We continue to be proud of the amazing man you are becoming. Keep up the great work!

Let's Celebrate Success in February!

Enrollments: 4

Successful Completions: 2

Total justice-involved individuals assisted: 230



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