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LEAD PROGRAM

January 30th, 2023

Meet the Newest Navigator!

"My name is Helen Rice, and I have a little over three years in recovery. I have battled with drug addiction for the better part of 20 years and have been in and out of the system. Finally, I reached a point where I wanted something different with my life. When I first got clean I had to do everything on my own. There was no program like LEAD to help me, no Navigators to provide me with mentorship, support, and connections to community resources like we have



now. If this program had existed when I first started down my path to recovery it would have made my journey much easier. That is why when I was approached by Hank Crapser who told me that the LEAD program had an opening and that I would be a great fit, I jumped on the opportunity. I set some goals for myself, obtained my Certified Recovery Mentor license, and was hired on in November. The main reason I want to work for the LEAD program is to help people navigate the system and provide them with resources and really attempt to bridge the gap between law enforcement and people in active addiction. I know firsthand that if I can get clean then recovery is possible for anybody, and with the right resources and the right help guiding these people they too can be successful."

Of Our 57 Active Clients

- 31 Have become housed
- 19 Have become employed
- 6 Regained custody of children
- 14 Have at least 1 month clean
- 4 Have 1 year clean
- 2 Have 2 years clean
- 7 Have 3 years clean
- 2 Have 4 years clean!

Program
Client
Status

LEAD Referral Criteria

Are you a law enforcement partner who knows someone that qualifies for LEAD? Reach out to Program Coordinator for a possible Social Referral! **LEAD can assist clients with food, clothing, transportation, shelter, medical referrals, substance abuse treatment, mental health counseling, housing, benefits, education, legal services, and more!**

We See You Event December 2022, Photo Credit Be Bold Street Ministries

You cannot have a Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Program without law enforcement participation. As such, our LEAD team has spent these last few months training and retraining our various departments across Marion County, including Salem PD, Stayton PD, Aumsville PD, and our Marion County Sheriff's Office deputies. In total, our LEAD team trained 166 law enforcement officers over the course of the last three months! This led to a great enrollment period for the program, as LEAD has connected with 14 new clients thanks to both social and arrest referrals from these newly trained or retrained officers.

During this period the LEAD team also welcomed its newest Navigator, Helen Rice! Helen is a new Certified Recovery Mentor who is currently training with both Hank and Renee to learn the ins and outs of the LEAD program and the great impact she can have in the lives of others while serving in it. Already Helen has started to take on clients, with the ultimate goal of her having a full case load by late April or early May. You can read all about Helen, her story, and why she wanted to join the program in the section to the left!

As always, LEAD has continued to collaborate with various community

partners across the county so that we can best serve our service resistant community. Recently LEAD participated alongside a plethora of other community partners during Be Bold Street Ministries "We See You Event", where Navigators were able to reconnect with 2 inactive clients as well as provide education to many other law enforcement officers and Marion County residents alike on both the LEAD program as well as other community resources that exist in Marion County.

During the next few months, LEAD looks forward to hopefully hiring on even more Navigators and expanding our client capacity.



Matt Maceira and Hank Crapser at the "We See You" Event



Marion County LEAD

Arrest Diversion Criteria

- Chargeable Offense*
- History of low level / livability crime
- Multiple arrest cycles
- No victim with potential restitution
- Resides in Marion County
- No history of violent crime
- Not a sex offender

*If no chargeable offense, SOCIAL REFERRAL may be another option. Submit information to agency LEAD rep/ workgroup for consideration.

All LEAD
Criteria
met?

Client
Interested
in LEAD?



Call LEAD
Navigator!

Navigator Appreciation:

Hank

Hank Crapser is one of the original Navigators in the LEAD program. He has been with LEAD for 4 years now. Having come from a life of addiction and incarceration, he knows all too well what the people we serve are going through. Today Hank is a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor, Peer Support Specialist and Recovery Mentor. He also has years of clinical suicidology training in assessing, managing and treating those at risk of suicide.

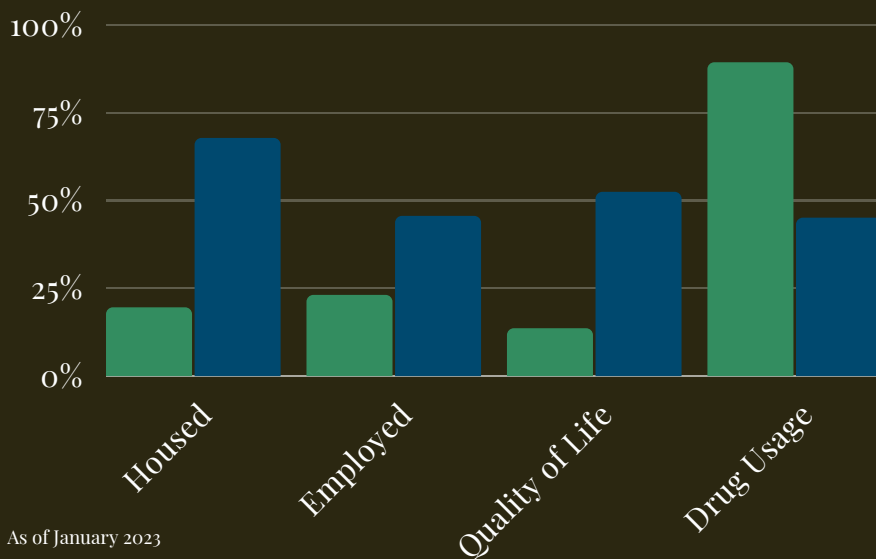
6 months ago, Hank got a text at 2 am from a LEAD participant who was ready to take his own life. Hank kept him on the phone while he drove to where the man was, convinced him to have coffee and breakfast with him and then promised to not leave his side until he could get the help that he needed in a medically monitored residential mental health facility. Hank spent the next 21 hours by his client's side through various waiting rooms and eventually a hospital room until the client could be stabilized on medication and be transported to residential treatment. Today this person has 6 months clean and sober is on medication and is living a happy productive life. He says he would not be here today if it wasn't Hank that he reached out to that day. Thank you Hank for your service to our community and for literally saving lives!



Hank Crapser

RESULTS

■ Pre- LEAD ■ 6+ Months in LEAD



“If you treat an individual as he is, he will remain how he is. But if you treat him as if he were what he ought to be and could be, he will become what he ought to be and could be.”

– Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

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