

## **Spotlight on Graduates**

We are excited to announce we had six graduates this last quarter! All of them have decided to continue in our program at New Life Apartments. We have been blessed to have been a part of their journeys in recovery. We are so proud of the strides they have made towards self-sufficiency and sustained recovery. We are thankful for the miracles and blessings we have been fortunate enough to witness and look forward to many more.



## Lindsey A.

After coming to the Rea of Hope, Lindsey paid off all her court costs, fines, and restitutions. She obtained her GED and celebrated a whole year of continuous sobriety. Lindsey continues her recovery at New Life Apartments.



#### Areonia I.

Areonia is a never-ending joyful presence, lighting up every room she enters with her gorgeous smile. She celebrated her one year of sobriety while at the Rea of Hope and has continued her journey in New Life Apartments, where she has been reunified with her daughter.



#### Kelsev M.

So much has changed for Kelsey and there has been so much growth since coming to the Rea of Hope. Kelsey has worked hard on her recovery, worked full-time, attended meetings, and developed healthy relationships. "No matter what, I can't give up on myself," she says. "Your past, your mistakes, your trauma, does not define you; what you DO, defines you. Know your worth." Kelsey has moved to New Life Apartments.



## Rachel B.

After completing her second term in prison, Rachel chose to come to Rea of Hope upon her release. She describes it as been the best decision she's ever made for herself. "I've learned that through it all, even when I thought I was alone, I wasn't – I was never alone." God and the fellowship have held her up through difficult times. She is working hard, moving through the steps and continues her journey in New Life Apartments.



## Jessica M.

"If you want recovery, it's hard work, but it's obtainable, and Rea of Hope is the best place to get it," she says. "I've learned how to love myself, how to love other people, and how to love life again on life's terms." Hard work pays off, and there are no short cuts to anywhere worth going. We are honored to be a part of her journey and we celebrate with her what the future holds in her recovery and at New Life Apartments.



#### Alex V.

Alex returned to the Rea of Hope for a second time. This time, she states, "my sobriety has to come first, above everything – I have to be clean to live." When she left the first time, she found out that she couldn't do it alone, and she ceased trying to. Upon her return, she has found herself surrounded by a tribe of women that love and support her and only want to see her succeed. Alex has gone on to continue her journey with us at New Life Apartments.



## **GIRLS NIGHT OUT**

Girls Night out is a monthly event that helps reintegrate women back into society with recreational activities and team building events. In June, we enjoyed a resident favorite with a pool day at Waterways. In July, we had a cookout hosted by the Charleston Vandalia Rotary. They prepared an amazing meal for our women and children. Food, fun and fellowship made this a day to remember. August's event was a movie at the Labelle Theater followed by dinner. We saw Live Action Little Mermaid! We are always on the lookout for future sponsors. If you would like to help, contact our office for more information. 304-344-5363.









DHHR's Office of Drug Control Policy and Bureau for Behavioral Health recently announced recipients of awards for exemplary addiction care and services in West Virginia. "These awards recognize West Virginians who have made extraordinary contributions to the field of addiction and programs," said Rachel Thaxton, Interim Director of DHHR's Office of Drug Control Policy. "The recipients exemplify the highest standards for compassionate care and are inspirational leaders to advocates and communities across the state." Rea of Hope won 2023 WV Recovery House of the Year Award!!!



We want to thank Baker Tilly of WV for deep cleaning an apartment for a mother and her children. Support and kindness like this from the community means everything to us. Special to Bethany Crites for coordinating this.





Thank you to the Pilot Club of Charleston, WV for their donation of cleaning supplies and paper goods!

# Congratulations to our Rea of Hope residents and grads on their sobriety anniversaries and other achievements.

- Holly T. ('08) is celebrating 16 years of continuous sobriety.
- $\bullet$  Chasity W. ('14) is celebrating 10 years of continuous sobriety.
- Brittany W. ('17), Program Director, is celebrating 7 years of continuous sobriety.
- Erin M. ('19) is celebrating 5 years of continuous sobriety.
- Tiffany L. ('17), Case Manager, is celebrating 6 years of continuous sobriety. Rea of Hope residents received training in the following this quarter: Bridge Valley Collegiate Recovery, Legal Aid, Recovery in Action, Changing Behaviors, Parenting with Crossroads, Sponsorship, and Healing from Trauma.

## WAY TO GO, WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU!!!

## Resident's Sobriety Achievements:

9 months-1 year	1
6-9 months	3
3-6 months	4
30 days-90 days	6

## Other goals met:

Employment	100%
AA/NA Sponsors	100%
Graduates	6



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- The United Way for the \$10,000 award for salaries.
- Pallottine Foundation for their gift of \$5,000 for resident dental needs.
- Huntington Bank for the grant in the amount of \$5000.

## OTHER WAYS TO HELP:

Don't forget to like us on Facebook! PLEASE sign up for Amazon Smile and Kroger Community Rewards with the Rea of Hope as your chosen organization.

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