

Jordan's Story

Since my supervision began in 2007, I've had 3 probation officers, graduated from the 90 day treatment dorm, and graduated from Drug Court. Previous to supervision, I had developed an unmanageable drug addiction. I didn't fully understand the impact the bad choices I was making had on my life or would have on my future if I continued down this path.

I listened to my P.O. and wanted to complete probation successfully. However, my desire to use drugs was stronger. I violated a few times then was revoked. I was sentenced to 6 months in jail. I didn't think it was a big deal. My drug use zapped my motivation and zest for life. However, my experience with jail staff was encouraging and I found unlikely mentors in the deputies. I was released and wanted something different. Willpower and the white knuckle method wasn't enough.

After more bad choices I found myself back in jail and being screened for the 90 day treatment dorm at the Community Corrections Center. I found great support in the Center and I'm still close to people there. I completed this program with confidence and knowledge about my drug addiction. I remained drug free and held down a job for 5 months until old habits set in, and I wound up back at square one.

I messed up big this time and was looking at going to prison! Although this scared me to death, I accepted this consequence. I was then screened and accepted into Drug Court. This intensive outpatient program was challenging and really tested my resolve. I grew up in this program and learned the value of support in recovery. I graduated Drug Court in February of 2012.

In February I will have been off probation for a year. I have also been drug free and working a program of recovery for over two years. I am the Vice President of the Drug Court Alumni Committee, and I volunteer with the Juvenile department as an outreach speaker. I'm so proud of what I've accomplished with the help and guidance from all the people that Washington County put in my life. But better yet, my family is proud of me. I am forever grateful for Washington County Probation and Parole. I wouldn't be half the man I am today without their involvement in my life.