

Impact Report Winter 2024









Our Youth Resource Center is a drop-in center which serves as the first point of contact that provides an informal atmosphere to attract and engage youth who are disadvantaged and/or experiencing homeless.

Program Highlights

- **273 Youth** served between January 2023 and January 2024
- In January 2024, 20 new youth started services at the YRC...all referred by youth peers.

A story that melted our hearts---A young lady, who has been coming to our Youth Resource Center for more than a year, recently completed her High School Equivalency Course...and had the highest exam score in program history! She is now taking college credit courses. Additionally, she is an extremely talented artist whose drawings landed her a book cover and a spot as a featured artist for our Alliance for Youth thank you cards.



SAPA is a diverse group of community stakeholders collaborating to address all areas of substance abuse education, awareness, prevention, treatment & intervention.

Program Highlights

- More than 700 students reached on the negative effects of vaping (4th - 12th grade students in Great Falls & Cascade County).
 More than 50 community leaders also reached.
- 110 community members educated about the dangers of Fentanyl by using SAPA's Fentanyl Education Kits.
- 60+ bartenders and servers trained in Responsible Alcohol Sales & Service.
- Launched **Children See. Children Do.** media campaign, including bus and bench advertisements, posters, banners and social media marketing. Images addressed drinking, smoking/vaping, cell phone use, fighting, road rage and sportsmanship.



Bringing Connection, Purpose & Hope to People Struggling with Addiction & Alcoholism

- Between January 2023 January 2024, The Sober Life Served 1,500+ individuals and family members of people struggling with a substance use disorder.
- One-on-one peer support was provided to more than 100 individuals.
- At six-month follow-ups, more than 82% reported being abstinent from drugs and alcohol.
- The percentage employed or in school rose by 18%.
- The percentage living in permanent housing rose by 20%.

Program Highlight

In January of 2024, The Sober Life provided Wellness Recovery Action Planning (WRAP) Training to 32 people in recovery from addiction, and also trained 10 new WRAP Facilitators who will be able to teach the evidence-based lifechanging WRAP program to vulnerable populations throughout North Central Montana.



Family & Emotional Health Programs



- Served 167 parents and children through our parenting services since July 1, 2023.
- Provided Question, Persuade, Refer suicide prevention training to 7 Court Appointed
 Special Advocates (CASA) and 94 medical students at Touro College.
- 26 youth charged with a partner family member assault participated in conflict resolution with their families. Only 19% recidivated and only 4% recidivated for the same offense. This is a major win as in previous years when conflict resolution was unavailable 87% recidivated for the same offense.

Thank you for supporting this meaningful work! Please consider becoming a monthly supporter.

To make a donation or sign-up as a monthly donor, you can visit our website **allianceforyouth.org/donate** OR scan the QR code to the right. You can also mail a check to: P.O. Box 2982, Great Falls, MT 59403. Please note "monthly" in memo line, if you would like to become a monthly donor.



Thank you for your generosity!

Kristy Pontet-Stroop, Executive Director