

Transforming lives to break the generational cycle of incarceration since 1995.



2016 Adult Final Night Exit Survey

Women's Recovery Academy & Other Halfway Program Participants

What did you like about Wings For L.I.F.E.?

1. The meet and greets.
2. That others have struggled like me.
3. Everything and everyone.
4. All the people and new topics to learn from.
5. The knowledge that I learned from W.I.N.G.S.
6. I learning new things and hearing guest speakers.
7. I liked the mixers, food, speakers, donations, job opportunities and experience.
8. I learned a lot about different people and how to be prepared for society as well as manners.
9. Everything, the people here, meeting new people, the dogs, and the speakers.
10. The interaction with other sober people and all the speakers that come talk to us.
11. All the different types of information I have received.
12. I liked the support, acceptance and resources.
13. The meals and meeting people.
14. Table discussions.
15. Talking and listening to people.
16. I have learned so much – I cannot write it all down here.
17. I was treated with respect and listened to. Thank you.
18. How to set a table.
19. How to shake a hand right.
20. How to do a resume and good things to do at an interview.
21. Thank you for welcoming us. I felt comfortable here and I felt valued, even though I have made some poor choices in my life.
22. Learning different skills & tools, new information to help me in the real world! Meeting new sober people.
23. The socializing and speakers. The one that really inspired me was the football coach for UNM. I will take the power of 168 with me.
24. It gave me inspiration, game me some manners, taught me how to set a table and much more.
25. Learning how to communicate better with others and learning many new things in life.
26. The knowledge that I learned from W.I.N.G.S.
27. I liked learning new things and hearing guest speakers.
28. I liked the mixers, food, speakers, donations, job opportunities and experience.

What did you learn at Wings For L.I.F.E. that you have used in your life, or will use in the future?

1. Learned how to speak to people.
2. To treat others with respect and not to judge them.
3. That I could live a better life sober.
4. That it's never too late to try something new. You only fail if you don't get back up.
5. Etiquette; selling myself as a wonderful person. I am also more of a people person.
6. How to properly introduce myself.
7. I learned a lot about different people and how to be prepared for society as well as manners.
8. How to speak to people, and get a job how to set a table.
9. Passing/Paying it forward of volunteering to help other people. How to set a table right.
10. How to socialize in a very positive and healthy way. Did not really know this side of being sober.
11. I will use everything that Wings has taught me.
12. The power of 168. How to set the table.

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13. I learned to never give up on my dreams and to always encourage kids in their dreams whatever they may be.
14. How to interact with people.
15. Parenting skills.
16. Social skills.
17. Talking and listening to people.
18. Etiquette.
19. How to get a job.
20. How to interact with people.
21. How to do a resume and good things to do at an interview.
22. How to set a banquet table for 100 people.
23. How a proper handshake is done, public speaking, jobs, interviews and how to have fun being clean and sober.
24. Correct format for doing resumes.

Why would you recommend that leaders in the Corrections Dept. continue to allow residents to attend Wings

For L.I.F.E.?

1. It shows structure.
2. It teaches us to re-integrate into society again.
3. Because it's very inspiring, educational, and loving positive environment. There is an open door for an open heart.
4. Because I believe, it may help them more than they know and help them stay on the right path.
5. Yes because it has helped me stay on the right path.
6. Wings gives us the knowledge that we can be more than felons.
7. Because it is great interaction. I love it.
8. It teaches us a lot of great social skills and how to be open to new things and not be afraid to look for work.
9. It helps to re-enter into society.
10. Wings For L.I.F.E. helps you grow and it brings the inner self out.
11. Because it teaches us life skills.
12. Because it builds character.
13. It educates and gives hope.
14. To set tables and shake hand properly.
15. And teaches you how to communicate with others.
16. Cause it would help others.
17. To get us high in spirits to not lose hope and to gain hope.
18. Wings gives us the knowledge that we can be more than felons.
19. Because it teaches life skills and gives them a chance to reintegrate.
20. Valuable life skills are taught here.
21. It helps to us re-enter into society. Because it teaches life skills.
22. The open discussions help to open my perspective on multiple things and how to better my understanding on life and opportunities.
23. WFL has helped me plan things to do with my family and kids.
24. WFL taught me manners and how to get along with others.
25. WFL has taught me about how to present myself at job interviews. Good effective organization and a lot of positive people.
25. At WFL, I have met many people and learned things about them.

What additional topics or issues would you have liked addressed at Wings For L.I.F.E.?

1. None. I learned very much.
2. About addiction.
3. All the things people can do with their hands. Farming, etc.
4. Sports and parenting.
5. Legal issues and resources.
6. Felons and voting.
7. I liked everything it was perfect.
8. More about crimes and the prison system.
9. Schooling, jobs, and how to deal with life on life's terms.
10. I think they did a good job.
11. Housing.
12. More legal issues.
13. Makeovers.
14. Dress to impress.
15. I thought they covered many things and did a good selection of topics.

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16. Outside resources.
17. All topics are good Smiles.

Additional comments:

1. I will be back!
2. I love Ann. She's the best.
3. Thank you for having me.
4. Thank you so much for everything. It was a wonderful experience. I will come back to volunteer. Thank You.
5. Thank you for allowing me to volunteer with WFL! I sure enjoyed it!
6. I came to Wings For L.I.F.E. to help overcome shyness, service learning, and help others with my skills and knowledge.
7. I would like to get my daughter back from her family on the reservation in Gallup.
8. I did four years in Grants and got out in 2011. This is a blessing to be here clean and sober now.
9. I am excited about this program.
10. I chose to volunteer for WFL to make productive use of my time at Diersen (Federal Halfway House) while I wait for my home confinement paperwork to be completed.
11. To help build my strength and confidence. To be more open and explore getting use to society again.
12. I am fighting for custody of my daughter and need all the help I can get. Thank you!
13. Thank you for all you did to help us!
14. Thank you for allowing me to volunteer with WFL! I sure enjoyed it!
15. Just want to say thank you and God Bless you all!
16. You did an excellent job. I want to bring my family.
17. What a good help and inspiration it has been.