

“Absolute best day in prison!”

Wings will host 17 community and prison Family Days this year and this letter from Rebecca, who is a resident at the Western Women's Correctional Facility in Grants, NM, makes it all worthwhile.

“I just wanted to thank you so much for the absolute best day in prison at the Wings For LIFE Family Day. (11-4-17)

There are no words to express my gratitude for your time, your story, your care and compassion! I was moved beyond words and I still get tears in my eyes when I think of how special you made me feel. You, and all the people that came and shared your time, are blessed by God... I so want to give back to people as you do!!

GOD BLESS YOU! Please know you made a difference in my life!!”

Thank YOU Rebecca for letting us know that we did make a difference!

Western Correctional Facility Women's Prison 11-4-17



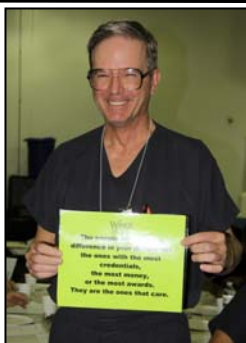
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Workshop 1



Workshop 2



- 1) 40 Developmental Assets®
- 2) How to Get a Job
- 3) Money & Budgeting

Wings starts NEW Program L.I.F.T.

Life-skills for Inmates, Families & Training

Wings For LIFE International, through funding from BBVA Compass Bank, hosted the first set of three educational workshops in the Otero County Correctional Facility in Chaparral, NM on Nov. 8 and 9.

Workshop #1 was a Communication class, which included ways to build Search Institute's 40 Developmental Assets®. Workshop #2 taught How to Get a Job, and Workshop #3 was on Money and Budgeting. The workshops were designed to help prepare the inmates for release.

54 inmates attended part or all of the workshops. Three lessons from Wings' "Strengthening Families from the Inside Out" curriculum were taught.

Surveys and evaluations were very positive. A few of the comments include:

- I wanted help to learn a better way to behave and interact outside of prison.
- I love Wings. Thank you for being so inspiring and kind. Your program helps and I hope that you continue to stay positive and caring because you make us inmates feel like there is hope in society.
- This program was very helpful and informative.
- It's a great program to help develop yourself into a good "returning citizen".
- It helped me to practice people skills and helped me build a resume.
- It made me more alert and I can't wait to go out and work!
- It helps inmates see what they are facing on their release days.
- I have confidence now that everything will be OK when I get out.
- I liked the warmth and compassion all the visitors have shown us.
- The hospitality, the knowledge, the support.
- To be treated as a human being, with respect and equality. It has taught me a bunch of things about life and a bunch of things that I did not know.
- How to feel positive about myself when I leave.
- The workshops provide valuable info while providing hope and practical exercises to prepare us for reentry to society.



Communication skills

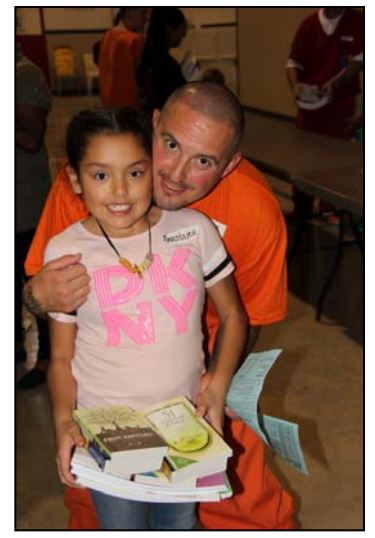


Workshop 3

Wings Prison Fall Highlights



Albuquerque Celebrates Recovery—Convention Center 9-28-17



Northwest NM Correctional Facility 9-23-17



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Spoon Hanging Contest



Springer Women's Correctional Facility 10-14-17

Western Women's Correctional Facility 11-04-17



Lea County Correctional Facility GP—Hobbs, NM 10-28-17

Lea County Correctional Facility GPI—Hobbs, NM 10-29-17



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Phone # necklaces



Learning about dogs & one-on-one tutoring

Northeast NM Correctional Facility—Clayton, NM 11-18-17



Students & faculty from the **United World College** spent a week with Wings at WFL & the office creating 3 videos from WFL participants, 5 lessons plans for WFL's after-dinner tutoring program & did research to assist returning citizens.

THANKS UWC!!!



Make a Difference Day —Trash pick-up at WFL

Recycled art from water bottles



Phil Gilbert, Kenpo Karate Instructor, is offering Karate classes after dinner at WFL. Phil received his 9th Degree Black belt in 2016 and was inducted into the Kenpo International Hall of Fame in August 2017. **THANKS Phil!**



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✦ A child of a prisoner is faced with a daunting future.
 ✦ Children of prisoners have a **72% chance** of ending up in prison themselves!*

✦ **But this does not have to be!**

✦ **Your gift can make a difference in the life of a child!**



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Enclosed is my tax deductible gift for:

\$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 \$25

Other \$ _____

I would like to learn more about volunteer opportunities in my area.

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Wings accepts United Way & company matching fund contributions from anywhere in the U.S.



Upcoming Wings Family Days & Workshops

- Dec. 2 Lancaster Correctional Center—Lancaster, OH
- Dec. 3 Noble Correctional Center Caldwell, NM
- Dec. 18 Hoffmantown Church—Wings 23rd Christmas Party—ABQ
- Jan. 10 Otero County Correctional Facility—Chaparral, NM
- Jan. 11 Otero County Correctional Facility—Chaparral, NM
- Jan. 20 Penitentiary of NM Santa Fe, NM
- Feb. 17 Western Women's Correctional Facility—Grants, NM

Volunteers Needed & Wanted!