

# Challenging times, but channeling hopes. Please support

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**THANK-YOU!**

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Dear Friend,

*Do you know someone struggling with addiction or recovery? Do you see a family falling apart because of unemployment and wonder how you can help? Through a gift to **EOTC**, you can help.*

*HEROIN* caught Julie, an honor roll student, in its grips when she was just 15 years old. Julie's long spiral downwards led her to treatment centers, juvenile detention centers, and county prisons and showed her things she never thought she would see. Julie considered herself "the low bottom street junkie stereotype," and she felt no matter how many therapists she saw or how many consequences she suffered, nothing seemed to lift her despair.

In Julie's own words she was losing "her light for life," she was hopeless, and "going to what I thought would be the bitter end."

It is safe to say that incarceration and the **EOTC** program Julie voluntarily enrolled in at the prison, most likely saved her life. There Julie was educated on addiction recovery, better decision making, and job readiness all designed to put her on the path of success. For the first time in her life, Julie had mentors she trusted from **EOTC**, who encouraged her and offered her hope. These **EOTC** role models helped Julie trust in herself and believe that she could be successful and become a better person.

Barriers like addiction and unemployment are experienced more and more by people we all know. Understanding these challenges and providing the necessary resources and support is what you can do to improve the lives of families and friends caught up in these situations. At **EOTC**, we deliver programs that build a base of strength for our participants in order that they may establish stability and economic self-sufficiency for themselves and their families.

*ONE YEAR LATER*, Julie is in college, pursuing a human services degree, working part-time, maintaining her sobriety, and succeeding in her recovery.

**Thank-you** for making it possible for Julie to reach her potential and re-build her life and well being. Someday, Julie may be that trusted role model, like those she encountered from **EOTC**, to help another 15 year old struggling to make it.

Sincerely,

Linda A. Ciampi, M.C.Ed.  
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*Success is liking yourself,  
liking what you do, and liking  
how you do it.*

*Maya Angelou*

**P.S.** We need your help to reach **EOTC's** 2016 Annual Appeal goal of \$39,900 to eliminate our funding gaps and keep our services. As Julie says, "these programs mean more to us than anyone could ever imagine."



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