







# Friends of NH Drug Courts 2017 Annual Report



" Drug Court - Faces of Recovery" May 10, 2018

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Drug Courts Work - They Transform Lives

### "Drug Court - Faces of Recovery"

Long term recovery is the goal. The Friends are focused on helping drug court participants achieve recovery and regain their lives. Drug Court's remarkable success in helping to beat substance use disorder is best told first hand by drug court graduates who have transformed their lives.



# 2018 Annual Meeting Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Report of the President Ed Rajsteter
- 3. Report of the Nominating Committee Fr. John Mahoney, Chairman
- 4. Election of 2018 Officers
- 5. Ratification of New Board Members
- 6. Honoring Former Board Members Bill Howell and Don Perlee
- 7. Keynote Speaker Dr. Thomas A. Andrew, Retired Chief Medical Examiner, State of New Hampshire; White Mountain Forensic Consultants; forensic pathologist
- 8. Guest Speakers Drug Court Graduates
- 9. Closing Remarks Chief Justice, Judge Tina Nadeau
- 10. Adjournment



### OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

### **OFFICERS**

Ed Rajsteter, President Cheryle Pacapelli, 1st Vice President Linda Saunders Paquette, 2nd Vice President Ed O'Reilly, Treasurer Nancy Russell, Secretary

#### MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

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# **President's Message**

I want to thank all of our supporters and sponsors for making 2017, the Friends' second year of operation, so successful. I especially want to thank: New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, Becket Family of Services, The Couch Family Foundation, Harvard Pilgrim Health Care, Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank, Learner Gray Foundation and Stephen and Harriet DiCicco.

In 2017 we saw the addition of Merrimack County Drug Court and this year, the addition of Carroll and Coos County Drug Courts; that makes 10 drug courts statewide.

Through a grant of \$30,000 from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation from an anonymous donor the Friends created a fund for pregnant and newly parenting women; it's the first program of its type in the New Hampshire drug court system and is believed to be the first implemented in the nation. "Mothers and pregnant women struggling with substance use disorder need community support in addition to treatment. This donation will assist drug court participants in sustaining their recovery so that their children will have the best chance at thriving and staying healthy during childhood and throughout their lives" stated Judge Tina Nadeau, chief justice of the New Hampshire State Superior Court. To be eligible, a woman must be a current drug court participant who is either pregnant or has at least one child who is less than three years old. She must face a critical financial situation that could disrupt her participation in drug court or undermine her ability to safely care for herself, her unborn child or her young children.

The Friends serves as the bridge that forges partnerships among drug courts, community supporters to enhance drug court's effectiveness.

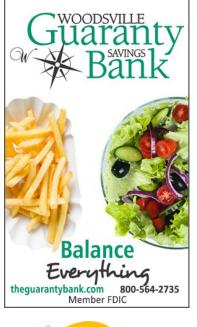
I thank our Board of Directors, Members, Advisory and Honorary members for your hard work; and look forward to another successful year.

Ed Rajsteter

President

New Hampshire Drug Courts and Coordinators Tina Nadeau. Superior Court Chief Justice Alex Casale, Statewide Drug Court Coordinator

Dan Canniff - Hillsborough North, Audrey Clairmont - Merrimack County, Julie Christiansen-Collins - Hillsborough-South, Chris Gowell - Strafford County, Christine McKenna-Rockingham County, Doug Moorhead-Grafton County Robert Nylin-Carroll/Coos Counties, Amanda Synder - Belknap County, Alison Welsh - Cheshire County







The Friends are funded in part by the NH Charitable Foundation



# NEW HAMPSHIRE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION





# 2017 Finances

#### Disbursements of Restricted and Unrestricted Donations to Individual Drug Courts for Participant Program Incentives:

| Belknap County - Laconia                    | \$1,600  |
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| Cheshire County                             | \$1,600  |
| Grafton County                              | \$2,050  |
| Hillsborough County - South - Nashua        | \$6,075  |
| Hillsborough County - North - Manchester    | \$1,600  |
| Merrimack County                            | \$1,000  |
| Rockingham County                           | \$1,600  |
| Strafford County                            | \$1,600  |
| Total Restricted and Unrestricted Donations | \$17,125 |
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| Becket Fund Disbursements                   | \$20,943 |
| Total Program Services Disbursements        | \$38,068 |
| Revenues                                    |          |
| Contributions                               | \$44,772 |
| Drug Court Conference Fund                  | \$ 5,900 |
| Other Revenues                              | \$ 40    |
| Total Operating Revenues                    | \$50,712 |
| Expenses                                    |          |
| Supporting Services                         | \$8,327  |
| Total Expenses                              | \$8,327  |
| Assets                                      |          |
| Cash and Equivalents                        | \$20,927 |
| Total Assets                                | \$20,927 |
| Fund Balances                               |          |
| Unrestricted                                | \$12,866 |
| Temporarily Restricted (Beckett Fund)       | \$ 8,061 |
| Total Fund Balance                          | \$20,927 |
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### 2018 Budget

| Total Revenues         | \$55,000 |
|------------------------|----------|
| Expenses               |          |
| Program Services       | \$41,750 |
| Supporting Services    | \$ 8,250 |
| Reserve for Operations | \$ 5,000 |
| Total Expenses         | \$55,000 |