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Graduation is a scary time for some



UPCOMING EVENTS

- OUR KENTUCKY DERBY EVENT WILL BE MAY 3RD AT FREDERICK GATES HALL IN HARRIMAN. TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE ON EVENTBRITE FOR \$50.00 EACH.
- PREORDER SMOKED BBQ BUTTS TO BENEFIT FAMILY FROM BBQ DOCTOR AND JAMESTOWN ASSISTED LIVING. EACH FAMILY PACK IS \$50.00 AND MUST BE PREORDERED BY CALLING (865) 376-3030. PICKUP IS JUNE 14TH AT 1:00PM.
- OUR YARDSALES IS JULY 26TH AND 27TH. DROP OFF DATES WILL BE JULY 22ND-JULY 25TH. TIMES WILL BE POSTED.

SERVICES TO DATE:

- PREVENTION: 26 INDIVIDUALS, 8 FAMILIES, 15 KIDS.
- DIVERSION: 9 INDIVIDUALS, 3 FAMILIES, 5 CHILDREN.
- SHELTER: 14 INDIVIDUALS, 4 FAMILIES, 9 CHILDREN.
- COMMUNITY SERVICE: 69 INDIVIDUALS, 25 FAMILIES, 36 CHILDREN.

Graduation May Not Be a Happy, New Beginning

It would be wrong for us to come to this time of year and not to reminisce on something that still keeps us awake at night.

Last May, after the graduation ceremonies were over, we were plagued with phone calls regarding young men that were kicked out of their homes because of their age and graduation status. For whatever reason, their parents and guardians decided that they had raised them and no longer wished to be their parent(s) or support system.

I still cannot wrap my head around it all, but it's also something we're preparing to deal with as this school year's end is approaching.

We are thankful to say that each boy that we were contacted to help found shelter and later housing. One found an efficiency apartment, three lived in roommate situations, and two found extended community that allowed them to live with them while better preparing them for beginning adulthood.

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