

#### To Our Alumni and Friends

We thank you for your support during the holidays and your continued support throughout the year. We appreciate the many individuals who generously give their time to our programs and are grateful for the volunteers who run events that provide crucial funds to help us provide services that would not otherwise be possible. Your support helps make the difference between a great program and an outstanding program. The success of our clients is a result of the care and effort our donors, staff, alumni, friends and volunteers who give to the mission of the Gavin Foundation. Thank you for helping to provide the highest quality addiction education, prevention and treatment to our clients and their families.









### Substance Abuse Treatment Professionals

Happy 6th Anniversary to the DRC! In January the Devine Recovery Center celebrated six years of operation with a lively celebration at the DRC that invited members, volunteers, staff, and Gavin Foundation program alumni to all come and celebrate. It was a wonderful day of food, fun, some engaging speakers and a raffle with some great prizes.

Get excited for the DRC's St. Patrick's Day Celebration! On March 17th at 3:00pm the center will host a corned beef dinner, speakers, and a raffle. Its a great way to celebrate the holiday in a fun, safe way and get to know your recovery community!

The Devine Recovery Center is continuously hosting events for program members, so please check out our facebook page for more information! facebook.com/DevineRecoveryCenter

70 Devine Way, South Boston 5 Minute Walk from Andrew Station/Red Line

Open Mon-Fri 9:00am-10:00p, Weekends 12:00pm-8:00pm



In February, students from the department of Journalism at Emerson College spent time with Devine Recovery Center members. The students met with members for part of an interview project focused on people in recovery. Their goal is to challenge stigma and amplify people's voice and experience. Their work will be exhibited at Emerson College from April 12-17.





Now in its second year, Mike's 5K to Crush Substance Abuse continued its efforts to raise money for the Gavin Foundation and the Milton Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition. The 5k run was established in loving memory of Mike Mulcahy, who passed away in December 2016 after a heroic fight against addiction. We are

all so grateful to the Mulcahy family for organizing this amazing event, as well as the race committee, the incredible volunteers, donors, sponsors, and the hundreds of runners for this generous and supportive donation!





# Welcome to all of the Gavin Foundation New Hires!

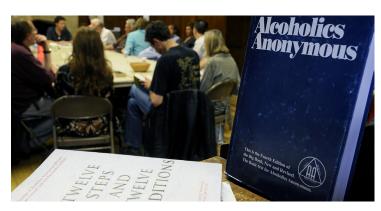
We are excited to welcome to the Gavin Foundation so many amazing, dedicated people have joined the Gavin team this season!

WELCOME: Bridget Volk, Cory Williams, Taylor Glover, Kendall Grey, Ruth Pizarro, Mckayla Beck, Krista Cassanos, Tania Howell, Jermaine Jones, Caitlin Pallin, Michael Dunford, Joseph Moran, William Peltier, Jonee Walker, Corey Mcintyre, Richard Palingo, Onedia Asiedu, Avery Jackson, Nicole Surrena, Marl Green, Joanna, Greene, and Regina Huber!

The Alcoholics Anonymous Way of Life **AAWOL** program offers a structured in-depth study of AA's 12 Steps to the residents and clients involved in the Gavin Foundation programs, and many more men and women in recovery interested in learning how to apply the principles of the Steps in their life. Join us Tuesday nights at the Tynan School in South Boston or Thursday nights at the Kent School in Charlestown. All are welcome and we encourage graduates to come back and help our residents gain the same responsible commitment and sobriety that you now enjoy. New groups form on a rolling basis.

If you are interested in joining or facilitating this program pleaase call the Gavin House at 617.268.5517 or the Charlestown Recovery House at 617.242.0088.





Please support our 2019 Boston Marathon Runners for Recovery: Hailey Kobza, Heather Gasper, and Michael Aschkenasy! They are running to raise funds for the Gavin foundation and continue to fight substance abuse. Please visit our facebook page (www.facebook.



com/gavinfoundation) to learn more about why they are running and to learn how you can support their fundraising efforts!



In keeping with Jim Gavin's vision, the Gavin Foundation was grateful to collaborate with the City of Boston and the U.S. Federal Court on Operation Exit-Renew (Release, Engage, Network, Employ, Win) program. Participants who successfuly completed the program were presented with completion certificates at a ceremony.



## Gavin MISSION Now on Cape Cod!

The Gavin Foundation is excited to announce a new MISSION Model partner in Hyannis on Cape Cod. The MISSION model provides evidence-based wraparound services to individuals with mental health and substance abuse issues folliwng admission to drug treatment courts. These licensed clinicians and peerto-peer caseworkers are hard at work on the Cape!





The Gavin Foundation Christmas Open House was a truly special night! We are grateful for all the donors, alumni and friends who shared hope and good cheer with our residents, including special guest Governor Charlie Baker, who joined in handing out gifts, with Chairman Willy Ostiguy, Treasurer Katie Kenneally Kelly, Clerk Dottie Dunford, Directors Andrea Flaherty and Laura Martin. Special thanks

to FoxRock properties for making such amazing Christmas gift bags, Keith Savage and Kerwin Doherty for making Christmas extra special for the Cushing House Boys and Girls, volunteers David Hughes, Christine Menslage Barrrett, Sharen Pacitti, Creative Office Pavilion; DJ Smokey, McKeon Post staff and of course, Santa Clause, Dennis McLaughlin. We are so grateful to everyone who helped make Christmas so bright and merry for our residents!





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(3) nonprofit agency dedicated to improving the quality of life for individuals in our programs and our community, by providing substance abuse prevention, education, treatment and support through the Gavin Foundation programs

### Save the Date!

On May 9, 2019, the Gavin Foundation will host the Creative Office Pavilion Road to Recovery Gala at the Innovation and Design Building to support our mission the "Restoration of Dignity". We offer a full range of services from prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery support. With your help we can continue to support individuals and families in need of services.



Michael Bellotti, President of Quincy College, will be honored as the Gavin Foundation Man of the Year for his ongoing support to Gavin Foundation. As Sheriff, he supported the Speakers for Hope, The HOPE (Heroin, Opioid, Prevention and Education) program and in collaboration with Quincy Drug Court, residential recovery services for men reentering the community. Now as President of Quincy College, he continues to collaborate with us to ensure our staff has access to pre-licensing and licensing education.

Brian Hannon will be presented with the Caring Hearts Award for his enthusiastic support and dedication to the recovery community. Brian has been volunteering at our AWWOL program for over 16 years and is a mentor to the men in our program. In his employment, Brian has been a beacon of hope and an advocate for recovery. He continues to provide help and guidance to many that are struggling with substance abuse, so they may find their way.

Please join us as we celebrate recovery and our mission the restoration of dignity. Sponsorship opportunities and tickets are now available. We look forward to seeing you at this special event!

More information is available at http://www.gavinfoundation.org/gala2019

### Give the Gift of Recovery!

You are an important part of our clients' success; our donors make fulfilling our mission possible. It is through your thoughfulness and generosity that we can continue to offer so much for them. Your financial support will go straight to work helping our clients in treatment learn how to live a sober life **ONE DAY AT A TIME**.

Giving information can be found at www.gavinfoundation.org/donate