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I have 2 brothers that struggle with addiction. Both have been through the criminal justice system, and nothing changed. They were just on a constant rotation through incarceration. They have both gone through court mandated treatment without success and both have worked the 12 steps without changing their situations. Once they met peer recovery mentors, things began to improve. They both began to work through harm reduction and therapy to help them through recovery. Having a recovery mentor is what made all the difference to both of them. My older brother has been in recovery for 5 years now and my younger brother for 7. They are a walking testimony to how recovery mentors and harm reduction works. If either of them had continued on the cycle of incarceration and court mandated treatment, they would still be in active addiction. Please don't take funding away from these valuable resources.