Volunteer as a Community Coach: Training in Cottonwood and Prescott Valley

Are you interested in making a real difference in your community and having a positive impact on a person’s life? If so, the Yavapai Reentry Project is seeking your help as a Community Coach. A Community Coach serves as a volunteer mentor or guide for someone reentering the community after serving in prison. The Community Coach program has proven to be tremendously successful in Yavapai County giving these individuals the opportunity for a successful future.

Community Coaches receive free training to learn needed skills for working one-on-one in helping provide referrals, emotional support and resources for former inmates. No experience, prior qualifications or education is needed. All that is needed is the desire to help.

In Cottonwood, the next Community Coach training will be held on Saturday, July 16, 2016, from 9 am to 1 pm at the Cottonwood Public Safety Building located at 199 S. 6th St., Cottonwood.

In Prescott Valley, the next Community Coach training will be held on Saturday, July 9, 2016 from 9 am to 1 pm at the MATFORCE office located at 8056 E. Valley Rd., Ste. B, Prescott Valley.

To register call Ivy Rios at 708-0100 or email irios@matforceaz.org.

Rich Young, former Yavapai Reentry Project Coach Coordinator, says, “Community coaches provide vital support for formerly incarcerated individuals during their first year of reentry. The most important characteristics that a community coach possesses are a listening ear, an open mind and a caring heart.”

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