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Dear Friend of Mendocino County Drug Courts,

The Friends of Drug Court is a non-profit volunteer organization that supports participants in the Adult Drug Court and the Family Dependency Drug Court to succeed in their recovery and complete their Drug Court programs by providing financial assistance, when no other resources are available, for needed goods and services.

The Adult Drug Court (ADC) is a highly structured, judicially-supervised treatment program for non-violent drug offenders. The Family Dependency Drug Court (FDDC) is a treatment program for parents whose substance abuse is the contributing factor in their children's abuse and neglect and removal from parental custody.

In order to graduate from ADC or FDDC, participants are required to complete 18-24 months of intensive outpatient treatment, including, where necessary, up to one year of residential treatment; to maintain their sobriety; to meet the terms of their probation and/or CPS reunification plans; to obtain their GED; and to be employed or in college, taking 6 units or more with a passing grade.

In the past year 52 ADC participants have been served, 3 have attained their GED, 11 have graduated from ADC and are either in school or employed, and 1 baby has been born drug free. In addition, this year 9,673 prison days have been saved as a result of the Program. Since its inception in August of 1996, ADC has served 526 participants with 230 participants having graduated and 32 currently active in the program.

In the past year, 62 FDDC parents have been served, 13 have graduated and been reunified with their children, and 2 babies have been born drug free. Since its inception in December 2007, FDDC has served 174 children and 136 parents with 56 parents having graduated and 36 currently active in the program.

During the year, the Friends of Drug Court granted \$6,331 to Drug Court participants: \$546 was granted for college textbooks; \$250 for badly needed dental work; \$445 to regain driver's licenses; \$492 to purchase furnishings for apartments; \$1,020 to take GED tests; \$543 for work clothes; \$630 for children's clothing and \$225 for car insurance, just to name a few.

Your contributions allow the **Friends** of Drug Court Fund to continue to remove barriers to success for Drug Court participants and help restore them as contributing members of our community and loving and capable parents.

Please use the enclosed, self-addressed envelope to mail your tax deductible donation. Please make your check payable to our umbrella agency, the Community Foundation of Mendocino County (CFMC) and indicate your contribution is for the Friends of Drug Court Fund in the memo on your check.

Sincerely yours,

Dennis Johnson, President

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