



Action Alliance Foundation

Safe Recovery Residences

Meet Kerry

Originally from Guam, Kerry began using methamphetamine at the age of 16. After moving to the United States, he met his spouse, had a son and a daughter, and achieved two years of sobriety.

For many years, Kerry was a functional addict. When his spouse began to suspect his drug use he tried to change, but the strain on their relationship eventually led to separation.

After moving out of the family home, Kerry's addiction escalated. He stopped paying rent, lost his job, and ultimately served prison time for drug-related charges.

Now sober for one year, Kerry completed Be Well's rehabilitation program and qualified for Orange County Probation's program with Action Alliance. Through that program, he was able to regain employment at the security firm where he had previously worked, rebuilding trust with his supervisor.

This is Kerry's first experience working a 12-step program and living in a recovery residence. "Action Alliance has helped me build confidence and learn responsibility," he explains. "I've gotten my priorities in order and have been able to get ahead financially again. I understand what it takes now."

"Prayer and discipline have been key to my sobriety," Kerry adds. "I've learned money management skills and was able to save enough to recently purchase a high-quality, pre-owned car. One day, I hope to buy a home. I've learned how important it is to always have a plan."

Kerry is also looking forward to reuniting with his children this summer, when he regains visitation rights. Now 12 and 8 years old, he hopes to rebuild a meaningful connection with both his son and daughter.

“I’ve accomplished so much more in one year than I ever expected,” Kerry says. “But I know it’s because of God. I know He’s looking out for me.”