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The following is an excerpt from a note that I received from Mr. Mike Jiminez, one of our former inmate trainees who, after his release, returned to his home in Tuscon, Arizona where he resides with his partner, Dr. Andie Harris. This, dear friends, is why we do what we do...

Dear Thom,

My Andie has seen a change in me and thanks everyone who came into my life [at CentrePeace] and invoked that change (I have no idea what she is talking about, but if she is happy so am I.) You really learn a lot about strength, compassion and vulnerability through CentrePeace. I learned the importance of human relationships and the importance of listening. I now think it is important to recognize that people are just people, and that we need to share our knowledge and ideas with each other. It brings out the best in us, inspires hope in each of us, and empowers us to believe in a better future. So all in all my time with you turned out to be a life changing experience to which I will always be thankful and never forget any of you.

-Mike Jiminez