

**Future Hope helps
individuals rebuild
their lives, contributing
to stronger, safer
communities.**



It is a sad truth that within just two years of release, a man leaving a Canadian prison has a one in three chance of reoffending.

Not only is this dire for the individual's chance at a productive, independent life, it ultimately means less safe communities and higher costs for taxpayers. This is where Future Hope comes in.

As a registered charity, we work with prisoners before and after their release to give them the support they need to become responsible, contributing members of the community. For each man we help build a life away from crime, taxpayers are saved at least \$120,500 annually in federal prison fees, not to mention the many associated – and often substantial – policing, court and victim costs. This is a win-win for both the ex-offender and our communities, and Future Hope has been successfully doing this for over 20 years.



“Future Hope has given me the caring family that I never had.”

Helping Men Achieve Productive Lives


A man emerging from prison faces many immediate challenges. Where will I live? Can I find a job? How do I stay safe and avoid past negative influences? Luckily, Future Hope is there to help him deal with and overcome these and other hurdles. It starts well before his release with our Next Step program that includes both guidance and peer group support meetings to help him prepare for life after prison. Then, upon his release, Future Hope helps him rebuild his life with the following:

- Safe, affordable, supportive, alcohol and drug free housing managed by Future Hope
- Assistance obtaining Manitoba Health card, IDs, driver's licence, clothing, etc.
- Caring peer group relationships that promote personal growth and a renewed sense of belonging
- Connection to employment readiness, search and placement supports
- Access to community groups and health resources
- Help improving management of personal finances
- Ongoing support and encouragement dealing with substance dependencies issues



Rebuilding Lives for Safer Communities

The benefits of investing in Future Hope are proven: each program participant has a much lower risk of reoffending, 13.8% compared to the federal institutional recidivism rate of 35%. **But he is not the only beneficiary.** The costs of crime go well beyond the taxes we pay to support our prisons, courts and police forces. It also includes monies spent to cover stolen and damaged property, added security, residential and business losses and above all, the pain and suffering of its victims. In fact, according to a Fraser Institute study, crime cost Canadians \$85.2 billion in 2009 (The Cost of Crime in Canada: 2014 Report), or more than \$2,500 per citizen. For each man Future Hope helps, this cost to taxpayers is not only reduced, but helps keep our communities safer places to live.



“ At first I thought Future Hope was just a place to live, but I came to learn it’s really a way to live. ”

Please Invest in Future Hope

On average, Future Hope’s costs are less than \$10,000 per person per year for participating in programs that help them on their journey to becoming stronger, healthier members of the community. While this is modest compared to the cost of incarceration, everything we do depends on the generous support of people like you.

So please donate today. Your contribution can not just improve a life, it can also help make your community safer and stronger.

To donate visit futurehope.ca

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“ For the first time
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maybe ever, I feel
good about myself. ”