#### WINTER 2018

# Alicha Place Place

# Amazing 2017

2017 was one of the best yet for Nick's Place. We are overflowing with blessings and new friends!

Our Gratitude List can go on for days:

- We have a houseful of guys who all have more than 7 months in recovery.
- 5 new Nick's Place babies born to alumni and their families including twins.
- We met our #GivingTuesday fundraising goal \$7,000.
- We had several supporters who donated their birthdays to us on Facebook! What a generous surprise.



do any of this without you!

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Executive Director and Nick's Mom





Next American Films
Came to Visit...

.... And spent the entire day filming, interviewing and getting to know our story. The result is an amazing video we will use for a long time to come.

Beth and Kate from Next American Films found out about us through our amazing corporate partner Overhead Door Company.

We are honored when people who believe in our mission of changing and saving lives, share our story. Please visit our website <a href="https://www.nicksplace.org">www.nicksplace.org</a> to see the film and share with someone you know and love!

## We Trained the Guys! CPR and NARCAN

As part of our Relapse Prevention Education Program the guys were trained and certified to save a life if they ever need to do so!





### Recovery Advocate Ryan Hampton paid a visit!

He and his advocate buddy Garrett Hade made the stop in Maryland as part of visiting cities and towns, recovery centers and other advocates in the recovery community.

Besides the visit, Rhea McVicker our Executive Director and Nick's Mom was invited to contribute to Ryan's #VoicesProject and you can find her post on ryanhampton.org.

Being able to be part of the #recovery movement is such a gift and we honor everyone's story when we tell ours!



#### An Evening We Won't Soon Forget!

It started as a fun challenge on Twitter when we invited Food Network to come help us teach the guys to cook. The Network didn't come out but two of its Washington DC area stars did!

Chopped winner Adam Greenberg and Top Chef finalist Alex McCoy spent an entire evening sharing, teaching, laughing and just being with us. And as much of a gift as that was...it didn't stop there!

WUSA9 decided that night was a story their viewers needed to see. Nick's Place is honored to have been featured by award winning anchor and reporter Debra Alfarone. But wait! There's more! Debra and her team invited the guys for a behind the scenes tour of the WUSA studios in Washington, DC and they loved it.

The guys recently went to Alex McCoy's new DC venture Lucky Buns and their review: Best Food,

Best Burgers!

The new friendships that we formed from one evening are true blessings and we will value them for a long time!

Volunteers Tara and Lesley are keeping the guys busy....

With everything from hiking to Zumba! It's people like them who help add to our program, show the guys that people do care about recovery and help the guys know they can have fun in recovery!





If you want to keep up with #theguys and all their new friends please follow us on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.

We are bursting with gratitude for all the opportunities and events we're able to provide that will help shape their lives in recovery!