A New Leaf’s Second Chance Program provides assistance to previously justice involved individuals residing in Maricopa County. Following their release, participants are given access to a variety of supportive services by A New Leaf, including professional clothing assistance, hygiene kits, and continued help with employment.

Participants are also connected to services that lay out detailed action steps of how they can gain fingerprint clearance cards, how to disclose their status on job forms and in interviews, and how to overcome other common issues in employment, housing, and education. With critical support, and a comprehensive foundation of additional support services, A New Leaf is giving people exiting prison a second chance at life.

This assistance is provided because an Arizona State University study of A New Leaf’s program showed that men who received housing support were more likely to secure and maintain stable employment and stay out of prison longer and at a higher rate than those who did not receive the housing subsidy.

This program is part of an effort to demonstrate the impact of assistance on recidivism of individuals exiting the prison system and is on the cutting edge of national models for reducing crime.
how to access services

In order to qualify for a housing subsidy, participants must be enrolled prior to release and complete a "Roadmap to Housing" class while serving their time.

Upon release, all participants must maintain contact with A New Leaf staff to have their weekly housing payments approved. A New Leaf prioritizes veterans for certain programs.

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location

A New Leaf’s Freedom Through Housing Program provides housing assistance to men being released from prison into Maricopa County.

other resources

A New Leaf offers a wide variety of services. If you are facing challenges relating to housing, you may also be interested in some of the services below. Please ask a staff member at A New Leaf about these programs, go to TurnaNewLeaf.org, or call (480) 969-4024.

- Emergency Rental Assistance
- Emergency Utility Assistance
- Matched Savings Programs
- Financial Coaching and Budgeting
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance
- Long-term affordable housing
- Employment Assistance
- Rapid Re-Housing

Equal Opportunity Employer/Program

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