



## **Clackamas County Sheriff's Office**

*Dear Co-Chairs Bynum and Manning and Members of the Committee ,*

*At a time when much attention is focused on reforming the criminal justice program I want to tell you about an innovative program that is changing the lives of those facing addiction in Clackamas County. The Clackamas County Substance Abuse Program is a nationally recognized drug treatment program that gives those who are facing criminal charges related to their addiction the opportunity to access treatment instead.*

*The Clackamas County Substance Abuse Program has a men's and women's program and is operated in Milwaukie, Oregon. The 18-month program includes drug treatment, counseling, and help finding a job. Clients go through a phased approach that helps them successfully transition back into the community.*

*Jordan Bladen entered the Clackamas County Substance Abuse Program more than five years ago. He was homeless, and had been arrested by a Clackamas County Sheriff's Deputy on drug related charges. Recently, Jordan reached out to our office and asked if he could say thank you to Deputy Davis, for the empathy and compassion he showed him the day he was arrested. Jordan also wanted to tell Deputy Davis that he kept his promise, and turned his life around.*

*Here is Jordan's story:*

[https://www.dropbox.com/s/6a43gwyqbbix5zj/20200722\\_Jordan%20Bladen\\_CSAP\\_Short\\_V3.mp4?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/6a43gwyqbbix5zj/20200722_Jordan%20Bladen_CSAP_Short_V3.mp4?dl=0)

*Kind Regards,*

*Sheriff Craig Roberts*