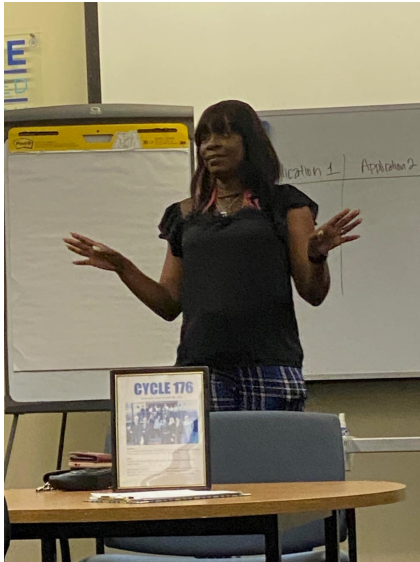




Ringling the Bell

July 2023 E-Newsletter



Second Chance Graduate Finds Hope, Overcomes Challenges, and Makes a Difference in the Community

Antoinette Miles defied the odds and transformed her life. She has become an inspiration to many as she shares her incredible journey of personal growth and triumph. Ms. Miles graduated Second Chance Job Readiness Training class #176 in 2013 and visited the current class #266. Ms. Miles shared with the participants the story of her experience and the positive impact Second Chance has had on her life.

Ms. Miles, once homeless and struggling with addiction, captivated the audience of Class 266 with her remarkable story. Over the course of the last decade, she has not only rebuilt her life but has also become a beacon of hope for others facing similar challenges.

Today, she proudly serves as a Family Support Specialist at Jewish Family Services, dedicated to helping those in need and making a lasting impact our shared community.



Ms. Miles attributes her transformation to the life-changing opportunities afforded to her by Second Chance. Through the organization's comprehensive job readiness training and support programs, she found the tools and guidance she needed to turn her life around.

Ms. Miles' success and resilience have not gone unnoticed. During her recent visit, the Second Chance staff rallied behind her, offering their support and congratulations. This heartwarming display of solidarity showcased the tight-knit community fostered by Second Chance, where individuals uplift and empower each other to reach their full potential.



As Second Chance celebrates Antoinette Miles' achievements and the positive impact she has made in her role as a Family Support Specialist, her story stands as a testament to the transformative power of second chances. By sharing her journey, she inspires hope and demonstrates that change is possible, offering a guiding light for others on their own

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Thank you to the following recent supporters:

- Thank you to **San Diego Foundation** and **San Diego County Health & Human Services Agency** for selecting Second Chance to be one of 43 Community Food Grant Program recipients!
- Special Thanks to Second Chance Re-entry court participant and graduate of JRT Class #257 Paul Hiemark who played an instrumental role in securing a \$1000 grant from **Starbucks**.
- Thank you to all of our **GEM (Give Every Month)** supporters. Your ongoing support helps us accomplish our mission. To find out how you can become a GEM please click [here](#)
- Second Chance received an award from the County of San Diego's District Attorney's Community Grant Program to support our Youth Garden program. We are deeply grateful to the District Attorney's office for this generous commitment, which helps at-risk youth in our community access the skills, tools and resources to be successful in school and employment.

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Don't Miss Community Day July 28th!



On Friday, July 28th from 3-5 p.m., Second Chance will be holding its monthly Community Day with a new addition, [Second Chance Treasures](#). The event will feature live music, a taco truck, fresh produce for purchase, and free, fun family activities.

Second Chance Community Day is an opportunity for individuals, families, and friends to come together and learn about the products and resources offered by local businesses and organizations, including information and access to health and wellness resources.

Teaming up with corporate partner, [Enlyte](#), [Second Chance Treasures](#) will be selling one-of-kind new and gently used household items, collectibles, and more! These items are given a second chance, while supporting an organization that does the same for adults and youth.

Enlyte and Second Chance have been curating one-of-a-kind linens, home décor and entertainment pieces that will give homes a special touch with a unique story. Items for sale include, but are not limited to art, dishware, drapes, lamps, side tables, woven baskets, and outdoor plants, originating from all over the world and ready for a new life in your home. Some of the items will be available via silent auction at www.secondchanceprogram.org and click on the "[Second Chance Treasures](#)" button.

Funds raised through Second Chance Treasures will support Second Chance's Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) Youth Garden. The Youth Garden serves young leaders ages 14-21 as they gain hands-on experience with urban agriculture.

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