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# The Lady and the Lake





# My Story





# **My Rock Bottom**





### **What Now**

- SUPPORT
- SUPPORT
- MORE SUPPORT
- DIGGING DEEP → WAY DEEP
- CONNECTION
- COACHING CERTIFICATION



# **Reclaiming My Moxie**





## What Is This Moxie

Moxie:

noun: moxie; noun: moxie

force of character, determination, or nerve.

"when you've got moxie, you need the clothes to match"



# The Statistics Construction Industry

- 12% have an alcohol use disorder compared to 7.5% nationally
- **16.5%** of construction workers reported heavy alcohol consumption within the past month, *nearly twice the average* of all full-time workers surveyed
- 11.6% of construction workers reported illicit drug use within the past month
- 14.3% of construction workers were diagnosed with a substance use disorder in the past year, more than 1% times the average of all full-time workers surveyed



# The Statistics Construction Industry

- In 2020, the CDC found that men working in construction have one of the highest suicide rates compared to other industries.
  - 4 times higher than the general population.
- In 2016, the suicide rate for men in construction was 49.4/100,000 almost twice the total suicide rate for civilian working men (16-64 years old) in 32 states (27.4/100,000) and  $\frac{5}{2}$  times greater than the rate for all fatal work-related injuries in the construction industry in 2018 (9.5/100,000).





### The Statistics

- Construction workers are 7 times more likely to die of an opioid overdose than workers in other industries
- Construction workers have the **highest proportion** of heroin-related overdose deaths
- Construction workers represent about **25% of fatal opioid** overdoses among all workers



# What's The Answer? Peer to Peer Support









### The Framework

#### Reclaim Your Moxie<sup>™</sup> Framework

Measure where you are now with life and goal-setting and evaluate the "how and why" you are in this space.

Optimize your priorities. We choose your top 3 to start and then we create the...

X-Factor plan to Reclaim Your Moxie™ and see where you want to take it.

Implement tools and techniques for success to understand you are your own knight in shining armor.

Execute the moxie! The light shines from within and you are ready to take off on your new life's adventure.



## The Programs

Reclaim Your Moxie<sup>TM</sup>
S.A.F.E. (Sobriety Awareness For Everyone)

Boundaries
Feelings & Emotions
Affirmations
Defense Mechanisms
Addiction Awareness

Career Interests
Positive Growth Mindset
Triggers
Strengths and Values
Fear and Anxiety

Support, not stigma or shame is needed to help reclaim the **moxie** and get people back on track to be their best selves. Having open discussions with such difficult content is needed now more than ever. Are you ready to make a change for the better? Are you ready to fight the stigma? Are you ready for support and to offer support? If so, you are in the right place!













Start filling your toolbox! Understand what tools you can use for what comes along. Is it anxiety or fear? What does that look or feel like? On a scale of 1-10 how bad is it? What is the tool you can use to defuse this feeling and bring you back into a state of balance?

Anxiety or Fear	What Does It Feel or Look Like	Scale 1 – 10	Tool Used



#### **TYPES OF COPING SKILLS**

#### **Self-Soothing**

#### (Comforting yourself through your five senses)

- Something to touch
   (exi stuffed animal, stress ball)
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  2. Something to hear
- (ex: music, meditation guides)
  3. Something to see
- (ext snowglobe, happy pictures
  4. Something to taste
- (exi mints, tea, sour candy)
  5. Something to smell
- (ext lotion, candles, perfume)

#### Emotional

Awareness (Tools for identifying and expressing your feelings)

Examples:
A list or chart of emotions, a journal, writing supplies, drawing / art supplies

#### **Distraction**

(Taking your mind off the problem for a while)

#### Examples:

Puzzles, books, artwork, crafts, knitting, crocheting, sewing, crossword puzzles, sudoku, positive websites, music, movies, etc.

#### Mindfulness

(Tools for centering and grounding yourself in the present moment)

#### Examples:

Meditation or relaxation recordings, grounding objects (like a rock or paperweight), yoga mat, breathing exercises.

#### **Opposite Action**

(Doing something the opposite of your impulse that's consistent with a more positive emotion)

- Affirmations and Inspiration
   (ex: looking at or drawing motivational statements or images)
- 2. Something funny or cheering (ex: funny movies / TV / books)

#### **Crisis Plan**

(Contact info of supports and resources, for when coping skills aren't enough.)

Family / Friends
Therapist
Psychiatrist
Hotline
Crisis Team / ER
911















# Rachel's\* Story





# Kyle's\* Story





## The Takeaway



- How Are You?
- Go There
- Compassion
- Empathy
- Service to Others



## **Closing Questions**



