

2021 Vision in Words

My Framework - Similar to the materials but I used a little different set of categories to build a well rounded life -- I am also looking at my vision for about 5 years out -- What would be perfect then as I head into that new chapter with grown sons and with a more mature business to help illustrate where I am going as a destination -- culminating in a letter to myself from 5 years out when all is done (steps and workshop) -- I will continue seeking Hp's will for me as I do the workshop and this round of steps I am -- for me visioning is like planning a road trip and I leave room for hopefully HP inspired adventures along the way --

My Categories - Ranked by importance

1. Spiritual/Recovery	5. Career
2. Family/Relationships	6. Finances
3. Mental/Emotional	7. Social/Fun
4. Contribution/Service	8. Physical

- One — *Surrendering to win*
- Two — *Letting go of the delusion of control*
- Three — *Trusting Higher Power and committing to our recovery*
- Four — *Being honest with ourselves*
- Five — *Being honest with others and with our Higher Powers*
- Six — *Accepting our pasts and getting ready for change*
- Seven — *Pursuing humility and desiring change*
- Eight — *Forgiving others*
- Nine — *Repairing our pasts and forgiving ourselves*
- Ten — *Dig deeper*
- Eleven — *Invite Higher Power in*
- Twelve — *Stay to recover*

Spiritual/Recovery

My spiritual and recovery life is the foundation that everything else is built on, I know that without it, the rest can and has crumbled. As a result of the work (steps) I have done in the programs, and continue to do , I maintain solid solvency and sobriety, and I am practicing these principles in all my affairs. I am meaningfully involved in my recovery programs and am actively working and seeking to deepen and strengthen my connection to the HP both in program and through reading and experiential learning from outside resources. Though there is still work to do of course, I am totally content with where I am and optimistic about where I am going.

Family/Relationships

My family is how my family is. I have learned to love them where and how they are, while allowing myself to be detached enough to not get derailed. I am fortunate to have a good relationship with my sons' mother, and my sister and her kids. My sons are happy, healthy and strong mentally and physically. They are turning into good men. I am incredibly grateful for all those that helped me break the cycles and be a different example for them. I have some great friends, in and out of the programs and work. When I spend time with the people in my life we create great memories.

I have a partner who is truly a match for me. She is not perfect, but is as ferocious about progress as I am. She is smart, and strong, and beautiful. She knows how and when to push me, and how and when to support me, and I do the same for her. We can have hard conversations in loving ways and can enjoy silence or time away from each other as much as we can enjoy our fun or intimate times together. We are individuals, and a couple. The level of trust, respect, service to each other, and loyalty we have is unmatched, and truly something I did not think was possible for me in this life.

Mental/Emotional

In addition to the recovery/spiritual and professional improvement work I do, I continue to learn about things I enjoy and to improve myself. I have created a network of supportive people, and even engaged professionals as needed to help me continue to grow and improve into what I can be, and to be an example to my sons and others of continually seeking improvement. I am very balanced and stable, have a sense of trust and serenity. My life is very satisfying, and I am always eager for more.

Contribution/Service

As a result of the program work primarily, and the relationships that I have directly from the programs and as a result of that work, I now get to be of service in everything I do. I actively give service in the true program sense of volunteering and donating in and out of the rooms, and I have been able to truly create the impact organization I have dreamed of. I get to support causes and people I care about in any way I choose, with the hp help and I do so actively and joyfully. My whole life is integrated (not enmeshed) within itself, and the principles tie it all together.

Career/Finances

My finances are in great shape. Using all the tools at my disposal, and the experience I have, with lots of help from the higher power, has made the once seemingly impossible real. I have been able to create enough passive income (or the path to it) to be able to be of service as long as I am able. I am not as rich as many, but am so blessed and grateful for the freedom, options, and choice I have been given. My sons should never have to know the desperation I have.

My career is incredibly fulfilling, more so than I could have imagined and has allowed me to create this amazing life I am reflecting on. The vision I had pales in comparison to what has come to be. This or something better no doubt. I am incredibly well paid, and get to work doing what I love, with people I love, in places I love, and for the most part when and how I want to do it. I get to not only do this for me, but I get to help create this opportunity for others.

Social/Fun

I get to live the kind of life I have dreamed about. While it is easy to say I wish I had been smarter or started sooner, it would not have been nearly as meaningful if it had come earlier or easier. I get to travel as much as I want. Time on the boat and the water is always amazing. I get to get away from the Seattle winters and into the snow, or sun, or sand as I want to and can travel around the country having adventures as I please hiking, fishing, hunting if I want and seeing friends and having people join me on the way. I even finally figured out how to play the fucking harmonica by the fire under the stars. When all else fails, high speeds and open roads on the motorcycle always put a smile on my face.

Physical

Well, I never did hit the cover of men's health. Damn you pizza and burgers!! I have however come to a place where I enjoy taking care of myself and many of my hobbies keep me active. Paddle boarding, hiking, mountain biking, snowboarding, and working out with the monsters on occasion as they try to outlift their old man keeps me able to do the things I want to be doing for the activities I enjoy, and working around the property on projects is no day at the park itself. Hell, I even do some yoga to try and stay flexible for the falls when I send it off a jump or the high dive. My streak of flips off the diving board or dives in the dark off the high dive hasn't ended yet.