

Celebrating Sara Lopez and Her Impact on Canyon Vista Alumni

As Canyon Vista welcomes new leadership in the alumni coordinator role, it's important to recognize the incredible work Sara Lopez has done in building the Canyon Vista Alumni Program into what it is today. Her passion, energy, and genuine care have helped create a strong, connected, and supportive community.

Sara has recently stepped into a new role as a Case Manager here at Canyon Vista — a well-deserved next step. While she will be deeply missed in the alumni space, her impact will continue to be felt through the foundation she built and the many lives she has touched.

Please join us in congratulating Sara on her promotion and thanking her for everything she has poured into this program.



A Note from Rose

Hi, I'm Rose Metheny, the new Alumni Coordinator at Canyon Vista. With both professional experience and a personal understanding of recovery, I'm passionate about fostering a strong, connected alumni community. I'm honored to carry this work forward and contribute to its continued growth.

I'm grateful to be stepping into a role built with such care.

Wednesday and Saturday Meetings

Our Wednesday and Saturday Alumni Meetings have been packed—it's been amazing to see so many familiar and new faces showing up and supporting one another. This kind of turnout is a true reflection of the strength, connection, and commitment within our recovery community.



Canyon Vista Ambassadors

Shoutout to our incredible Canyon Vista Ambassadors!

These amazing individuals are actively living in recovery, showing up for our community, and giving back by supporting, encouraging, and inspiring others every day. Your commitment helps create the strong, connected alumni family we're so proud of—thank you for all that you do!

- Weldon
- Bree
- Christina
- Jim
- Tamra
- Josh
- James
- Gary
- Jason



Interested in becoming a Canyon Vista Ambassador? Here's what we look for:

- Active engagement in the alumni community (meetings, events, app participation)
- A willingness to support and encourage others in recovery
- Positive representation of the program and facility
- A desire to give back and stay connected

Additional consideration: You may be required to have 6 months to 1 year of continuous sobriety to ensure a strong and stable recovery foundation.

If this sounds like you, we'd love to connect—reach out to learn more about becoming an Ambassador and making an impact!

Ambassador Highlight

Joshua Kelly

I work at Costco Wholesale and have done so for 12 years. The insurance and Employee focus the company provides allowed me to easily seek treatment for my alcoholism.

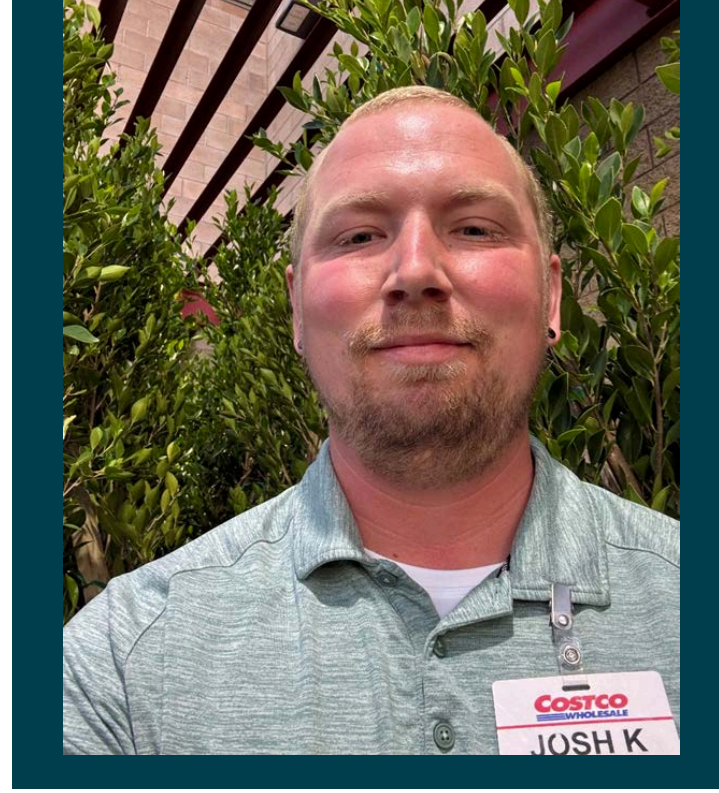
I am a Canyon Vista alumni and attended treatment here in June of 2023. My sobriety is 6/1/23 and I am nearing 3 years of clean time. This is an achievement I did not believe was possible prior to treatment and working a program. One day at a time truly does result in big numbers.

We have something special with the alumni program at Canyon Vista. Our fellowship is tight knit and fun-loving and an honor to be a part of.

Since attending CV I have made AA a working part of my everyday life. I was told to take suggestions and stay connected and I have done just that. All of the Alumni that you see with time have also done exactly that. When you leave here get plugged in with a meeting that will question where you were if you miss it. Make your presence known.

As I progress through my sobriety journey I am trying to stay in line with Gods will for me. I often don't know exactly what that looks like, but I do know that its never to pick up a drink. At this point in my journey I am making an effort to see my family more often and to be an active figure in the lives of my nephews.

I have quite a few hobbies that I will pick up and put down for months at a time (real alcoholic behavior) I am currently trying to build some consistency in picking up my guitar and reading a ton of fiction books. I thoroughly enjoy finding new music to listen to, particularly Death Metal and Hip Hop, though not together.



Staff Highlight

John Santillan

Our Canyon Vista team is made up of exceptional individuals who show up each day with compassion, dedication, and a true passion for helping others. We're proud to have such an incredible group of people supporting our community.

This month, we're excited to highlight John Santillan, Director of Quality & Patient Safety —get to know more about him below!



"Hello, I am John Santillan, the Director of Quality & Patient Safety at Canyon Vista Recovery Center. I oversee patient safety investigations, compliance regulations for both state and accrediting bodies, quality of care concerns, corrective action plans, release of medical records, and process improvement, among other responsibilities. I have past work experience in infection control, healthcare management, and managed care. I enjoy the work I do in quality, in being able to ensure systems keep patients safe and helping staff streamline workflows and improve processes. Additionally, I am a native Texan and have lived in three other states and in my spare time I enjoy hiking, exercising, and cooking outside of work."

John Santillan, MHA(C),BSHM,LSSGB

Upcoming Event

