



Honoring Kenny Down: A Pillar of Our Community

At Weld Seattle, we believe that healing and growth stem from authentic connections. Our community thrives on the support and solidarity we provide each other, and few exemplified this more than Kenny Down.

Kenny was not just a mentor and advocate; he was a beacon of hope and inspiration. He deeply believed in our potential to fulfill our higher purpose and make meaningful changes in our lives through recovery. Kenny's dedication to causes like the restoration of tribal fishing rights and supporting those who have experienced addiction and incarceration demonstrated his commitment to redemption and transformation.

His compassion and non-judgmental approach made him a cherished teacher and friend in our recovery community. Kenny personally walked alongside many of us on our journeys, offering empathy and encouragement. Though we have lost his physical presence, his legacy lives on in the hearts and minds of those he touched.

Kenny revered many historical figures and archetypes of humanity. Joan of Arc was one of his favorites. As she once said, "Act, and God will act." Kenny embodied this spirit of courage and purposeful action in his daily life.

We are forever grateful for Kenny's unwavering service, direct support for Weld, accountability and leadership. His impact on our community is profound and long lasting.

Thank you, Kenny, for everything you've done. You will always be remembered and cherished.

Kenny's Life & Passing was featured in the Seattle Times this week. Please take a look:

<https://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/mike-mccready-duff-mckagan-jay-inslee-and-others-honor-the-life-of-kenny-down/>



Mike McCready, Duff McKagan, Jay Inslee and others remember Kenny Down

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Kenny Down, pictured here circa 2020, died May 5 of liver cancer. (Angel Guardian)

