

Our readers speak: A public apology to Butte residents

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This letter is to apologize to all of the people in Butte to whom my drug use has affected directly or indirectly.

I want to first say I'm sorry to those who put trust in me, Mike Thatcher, the staff at the Pre-Release, Robert and Max from Silver Bow Properties and my family. Meth is a monster — once it is in your system it is impossible to control and it sucks you further down until you get help, hit rock bottom, go to prison or die. I guess I can call myself one of the lucky ones. I am on my way to prison with a chance for treatment and a new life if I so choose. I do so choose, I have much to live for and want treatment and a better life without drugs.

I just wanted to say to the people of Butte that I love this town and I'm sorry that I was a part of the problem, not part of the solution. I hope than after I do my treatment, rehabilitation and pay for my crime that the city of Butte and its citizens can forgive me.

I am not a bad person and do have much to offer this community.

I write this letter with the true conviction that this is the first step in my recovery and a better life than the one I lived for the past few years.

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