

## FIT TO RECOVER

**EXERCISING RECOVERY** 

'Twas the night before Christmas and all through the gym Every member was sweating, all muscled and trim. The music was blaring while kettlebells swung; People leaping and laughing -- like toys come unsprung!

In the kitchen upstairs there wafted great smells, "Cook lentils and veggies - eat healthy!" Tess yells.

The FTR garden, so verdant and lush

Nestled down for the winter in a quiet brown hush.

A group could be heard who was wild with glee at the murals they'd painted of mountains and trees!

Others dashed off their feelings in powerful prose

Describing their journeys -- the highs and the lows.

Our service director was busy in prep to speak at a vigil on the Capitol steps. Her passion and care for the homeless is stunning And each year we've joined her with tears and much hugging.

When what to my wondering eyes should appear, but Ian and Georgia and 8 staffers of cheer!
"We're grateful to each of you for this healthy, safe place.
You've given us community, and a world full of grace."

Quinn's bench stood in the snowfall, a reminder of those lost,
For we all know addiction holds terrible costs.
We will be here for everyone who wants to recover
And stand strong as a family of sisters and brothers.

Our nation's drug crisis strategies lack supportive, healthy, post-treatment community building efforts like FTR. Please help us grow and show the world that THIS is what recovery looks like! Your donations will support our 4-pillars of recovery: Exercise, nutrition, creative arts and community service.

Happy holidays and thank you from all of us at FTR!