## THE FIRST 7 DAYS: A GROUNDING GUIDE FOR YOUR SOBER START

#### **STARTING DATE:**

Day 1: Get Clear on Why

Write a letter to your Day 8 self

Example: "What are you no longer available for?"

Day 3: Cravings

Journal: "What do I actually need right now?"

5-minute grounding practice to ride the wave



Day 2: Make it Safe

Checklist: Removing or

hiding triggers

Self-inventory: Who or what gives you energy right

now?

Day 4: Connections

Journal tips for finding support without pressure Starter ideas: digital detox, one safe friend, journaling

Day 5: Stick To It

Visualization. A list of encouragements for when I want to quit

Day 6: Celebrate Something

Wins tracker

Day 7: The Journey

Journal

**Continue the Journey** 

#### FOR MY DAY 8 SELF

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#### Day 2: List of Triggers to Remove/Hide

#### DAY 3: WHAT MY CRAVINGS SAY

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#### DAY 3 GROUNDING EXERCISE



ACKNOWLEDGE 5 THINGS YOU CAN SEE AROUND YOU RIGHT NOW



**ACKNOWLEDGE 4 THINGS YOU CAN TOUCH RIGHT NOW** 



ACKNOWLEDGE 3 THINGS YOU CAN HEAR AROUND YOU RIGHT NOW



**ACKNOWLEDGE 2 THINGS YOU CAN SMELL RIGHT NOW** 



**ACKNOWLEDGE 1 THING YOU CAN TASTE RIGHT NOW** 

#### DAY 4: HEALTHY CONNECTIONS GAME PLAN

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### "When I Want to Give Up"

- "This moment does not define me. This is just a hard moment –
   not a failure. Not forever. Just now."
- "I can feel the urge. I can notice the craving. And I can still choose not to act on it."
- "Right now, I'm giving myself space to feel what's true. Not to fix, numb, or run – just to feel."
- "I've made it through hard things before. I am stronger than this moment."
- "I'm allowed to want comfort. But I don't need to sabotage myself to get it."
- "This urge will pass. It always does. I will not build a life I don't want over a feeling that doesn't last."
- "My future self is already proud of me. They're waiting for me on the other side of this calm, clear, and steady."

One decision at a time. One breath at a time. I've got this.



#### DAY 6: WINS!

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WOKE UP TODAY	_
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#### DAY 7: WHAT HAVE I LEARNED ABOUT ME THIS WEEK?

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