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### **Buckelew Programs Honors Sarah Shaw for her Support of Transition Age Youth Program at Open House**

(SAN RAFAEL – Nov 19, 2009) Buckelew Programs will honor Sarah Shaw for her support of the Transition Age Youth (TAY) program at an Open House on Thursday, December 3 from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the Transition Age Youth Office, 980 Lincoln Ave., Suite 250 in San Rafael. At the event, youth will premier a video they produced about TAY. For more information and to RSVP (required by Nov. 24), contact Cameron Duncan at (415) 457-6966 x 386.

“In many cases, if it wasn’t for TAY, these young adults would be homeless and would find it very difficult to manage their lives,” said TAY Team Leader Kathy Eagle. “Sarah Shaw has made it possible for our youth to enjoy a new beautiful space.”

By integrating wellness and recovery into a strengths-based program, TAY provides young adults aged 16 to 25 in Marin with mental health and supportive services including personal case management, 24-hour crisis management, medication oversight, peer mentoring, housing, education, and employment. Since it began in 2007, TAY Program has provided 28 young adults with “full services” to help them find their way through the difficult transition of adolescence to young adulthood. Another 163 youth have taken advantage of one of more TAY offerings in Marin.

#### About Buckelew Programs

Buckelew Programs is a non-profit organization that creates homes, jobs, and hope for transition-aged youth and adults with mental illness in Marin, Sonoma, and Napa counties. Its mission is to assist individuals with mental illness to live, work, learn, and participate fully in their communities. Established in 1970, Buckelew Programs had revenues of \$9.5 million in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009. There are 120 employees throughout the three counties. For more information, visit [www.buckelew.org](http://www.buckelew.org)