



Franklin/Williamson County ROSC

(Hybrid) Meeting Minutes 08/21/24 @ 9:00 AM

Attendees:

Chrystal Cantrell- CPRS, Assistant Director TAT chrystalc@takeactiontoday.net

Mandy Hagen- PRS, TAT ROSC Assistant mandyh@takeactiontoday.net

Sherry Smedshammer- Centerstone Crisis Resource Developer
sherry.smedshammer@centerstone.org

Shara Robison – Community Development Coordinator, TAT
sharar@takeactiontoday.net

Dorie Warren- CPRS, CBHL, Williamson/Jackson County Drug Court, TAT
doriew@takeactiontoday.net

Mike Tyson- CPRS, Executive Director, TAT mtyson@takeactiontoday.net

Torie Patton- Harm Reduction specialist, TAT toriep@takeactiontoday.net

Mikilyn Walker – Director Social Services, Christopher Rural Health Planning Corp.
mwalker@crhpc.org

Christina Manchen- CCBHC Coordinator, Centerstone
christina.manchen@centerstone.org

Michael Deno- PLE, Student Trustee, Shawnee Community College
mdeno778@shawneecc.edu

Anthony Arington- Southern Illinois Re-Entry

Keith Fletcher- Keith Fletcher- Director, JCity Hope and Renewal jcitycenter@gmail.com

Rebecca Pyles- PFS, TAT rebeccap@takeactiontoday.net

Welcome and Introductions

Each person took a moment to share a bit about themselves.

Approval of 7/17/24 meeting minutes

1st motion to approve by Rebecca Pyles

2nd motion to approve by Mike Tyson

Presentation By: Mikilyn Walker social services

Mikilyn Walker, Director of Social Services at Christopher Rural Health Planning Corporation, discussed the services and resources offered by Christopher Rural Health, along with the regions they serve. (flyer attached)

- They have 14 different locations (Albion, Carrier Mills, Christopher, Flora, Carmi, DuQuoin (2), Fairfield, Johnston City, Mt. Vernon, Benton, Sesser, Shawneetown, Eldorado)
- Offer a sliding fee discount program for those without insurance.
- They do NOT turn anyone away based on their ability to pay.
- They also help with transportation for appointments through RMT and SCT.
- If you would like more information, please contact Mikilyn @ mwalker@crhpc.org

Christina Manchen would like to get with Mikilyn on getting some resource information to be able to pass along to their clients.

Anthony Arington asked if they offer after hour services for behavioral health services for those in distress.

- She recommended getting in touch with DuQuoin and Eldorado behavioral health scheduling services to find out more.

Membership Protocols Review:

We reviewed the current Membership Protocols and discussed any changes or updates that seem necessary. It was emphasized that FWRC is our council, and everyone's input is crucial to making it as effective as possible in serving our communities. The updated Membership Protocols are due by 8/30/24.

- Christina Manchen would like to keep the bullet format as it seems easier to follow.
- Torie Patton would like to keep the council open to all.

Old Business:

The FWRC "Ribbon Project" for Benton Square has been approved by the mayor and is scheduled for 9/4/24 at 10:00 AM.

- We will gather at the TAT Benton Resource Center at 9:30 AM.
- Volunteers are needed to help complete this project. If you or anyone you know would like to volunteer, please reach out to Mandy Hagen at mandyh@takeactiontoday.net.

Mike asked if we were planning on doing a press proclamation to bring awareness to the public of why the ribbons are hanging around the square.

- This is something we could discuss after the meeting to see what contacts we have.
- If anyone has any contacts, please let us know.
-

New Business:

FWRC has partnered with the lead agency, TAT Harm Reduction Program, to host an Overdose Awareness Event on 8/31/24 at 10:00 AM at the TAT Marion Resource Center.

- There will be 40 lawn ribbons featured to represent the 40 lives lost to overdose within Franklin, Williamson, Jackson, Perry and Williamson Counties during 2022.
- This event is in hopes of raising awareness about overdoses in our area and promoting harm reduction services in recognition of International Overdose Awareness Day.
- If you have any questions, please contact Torie Patton @ toriep@takeactiontoday.net

Chrystal Cantrell- discussed the recent changes to TAT's phone system, noting that it has been updated due to ongoing issues with the previous one. Moving forward, Dan Pyles, Leigh Browning, and Chrystal Cantrell will be the primary individuals answering TAT phone call.

Shara Robinson shared information about the Art of Recovery coloring contest for ages 0-16. Prizes will be awarded to the top three entries.

Shara Robinson also mentioned the Stand Down for Veterans event on September 12th from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. FWRC will be set up if anyone is interested in attending.

Keith Fletcher mentioned the Fall Family Fun Fair taking place on September 7th from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Save The Dates:

- August 31st - 10:00am FWRC/TAT Overdose Awareness Event
- September 7th - 7:15a.m.– Centerstone “Life; Story” Event
- September 7th -10:00am – 4:00pm Fall Family Fun Fair
- September 12th - 10:00am – 2:00pm Stand Down for Veterans
- September 13th - 10:00am- 2:00pm PJRC/TAT Recovery Event
- September 21st - National Recovery Rally in Chicago

Next Meeting: September 18th, 2024 @ 9:00 am

**Location: West Frankfort Chamber of Commerce,
201 E. Nolan St. West Frankfort, IL 62896**

Or by Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/j/94772663701?pwd=bjJwMUNxVThZaE1TV29EdmtqNlMvdz09>