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Greene & Scott County Recovery Council

Date of Meeting:12/17/2024

Time of meeting: 3 PM

Location of meeting: Online and In-Person 205 S. Morse St Roodhouse, IL 62082

Format: Hybrid

Attendees:

AM - GCHD

RK – GCHD-PLE

MK- Bright Futures

KC-Birth to Five Illinois

AD

DS

JP

Aurora

Kit

Key Approvals

- Without objection, the meeting minutes from November were approved
- No approvals required

Support groups, upcoming events, and community needs assessment

- January 15, 2025 Cocoa Comfort Recovery Hot Cocoa Station 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- There is a support group for parents who lost children available in Jerseyville, which meets monthly. The group meets on the 3rd Thursday of the Month at 6 PM. The group is called Jerseyville Angel Moms. If anyone is interested in riding together, please contact Beth Burrus at bethburrus1@hotmail.com
- We have been asked to help with navigators for the Jersey County jail system
- Finding Hope: Weekly meeting for those struggling with Meth use

Guest Speakers: Greg Santoni, Aurora, and Kit from TASC

Greg shared how TASC was started in 1976 and headquartered in Chicago and ISP became involved and called "Choices". There is now a **Choices North**, Calhoun, Greene, Jersey Counties, and **Choices South** - St Clair, Macoupin, and Monroe counties. TASC works with substance abuse, mental disorders, unhoused, to create a bridge between law enforcement and the care needed. Through this organization law enforcement and TASC are able to deflect those experiencing the aforementioned disorders creating a collaboration in which TASC can come in and provide resources and supports. At this time TASC is in touch with owners of the Roodhouse Grace Methodist church and the old Roodhouse Envelope building for possible purchase. There is a need for letters of support for the setting up of a building that could provide mid-term beds for unhoused, mental health services, etc.. A new point of contact has been assigned to Greene and Jersey County, Kayla Frayer. It has been difficult getting Greene and Jersey law enforcement to come aboard but realize need to work on educating the community on what role TASC can play in a community. TASC is a level of care with a relentless approach. Start with a hands-off then consistently circle back around until the person is open to the support.

Addressing social determinants of health for substance use recovery.

- Discussions highlighted the importance of addressing social needs, such as access to clean clothes, to help individuals in recovery connect with resources and achieve their goals. Thanks to a coordinated effort between every member of the ROSC, much of our work has been centered on this over the past year and a half. This must continue as this is making a difference in people's lives. It also supports each of our service delivery areas of the various members, bringing coordination to our recovery-oriented system of care. We are helping people get jobs, getting them access to educational resources, finding medical care, accessing health and wellness supports, helping get laundry, finding clothes, identifying resources to support social needs, getting legal support, and so much more. Also discussed the importance of donations to keep the supply closet going.

Member Updates

- Michelle Savage spoke about 24 hour living room offered at Locust Street in Carlinville
- Suggestions about putting together a list of landlords in Greene and Scott County
- Just as a reminder, there is a Member Orientation on the 3rd Wednesday of every month where new members can join to learn about ROSC, our work and the direction of our council

