

Sangamon County ROSC Meeting

4/22/25

9 a.m.

Location: zoom

Attendees:

- Sarah Richardson, FGC
- Austin Dambacher, FGC
- Whitney Devine, FGC
- Jami Bermel, TASC
- Marie Riley, CFC Early Intervention
- Stephanie Carson, Gateway Foundation
- Donna Reeves, Central Counties
- Galia Cossyleon, Memorial
- Sally Jefferson, Sober Living
- Brycen McFadden, Oxford House

Agenda:

- Introductions
- Organizational speaker: TASC
- Membership Update
- Resource guide update
- Project: Resource Bundle for individuals leaving incarceration
- Community Survey & Strategic plan on website
- Community Events
- ROSC Event Updates
- Sober living supply drive
- Open floor to ROSC members to share upcoming events, ideas, needs, etc.

Meeting Notes:

Introductions- name, organization/affiliation, how long they've been with ROSC, ice breaker

Organizational Speaker- Jami Bermel, TASC Deflection Specialist

- TASC (Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities) helps lessen burdens on law enforcement by helping those with substance use disorder and mental health issues; creates community-based pathways to recovery; focused on interrupting the cycle of drugs and crime; housing-first model that addresses substance use and mental health issues
- Contact info for: Jami Bermel, Deflection Specialist- 217-891-7584; Andrew Kroush, Program Supervisor- 217-361-6769

Membership Update: 1 new member since last month- MedMark Treatment Center- provides MAR and SUD treatment in Springfield

- **New membership** registration / process; next orientation is 5/16/25 at 12pm on zoom
- **Membership representation** (sectors); opportunity for growth in media and judicial (both having 0 members), and law enforcement (1 member)

Upcoming community events:

- Solid Rock Youth Transitional Services – Bright Futures Brunch May 17th 12-3pm at UIS- tickets available for purchase on their website (solidrockyts.org)
- Gateway Foundation- “What’s Brewing at Gateway” Coffee connections, May 20th at Gateway’s Springfield site, 8am-9:30am, RSVP to Stephanie Carson by May 14th
- Heartland Continuum Welcome Home Basket Initiative – providing home starter baskets to 20-30 households/month
 - Always taking donations
 - Also just released an app – to connect to volunteer opportunities, help people get assistance- currently available only for iOS on the app store
- Free Dental Day sponsored by Advanced Dental Care of Springfield- May 30th
- Safe Families for Children – Mother's Day Afternoon Tea

Resource guide update: 881 distributed amongst 30 organizations; QR cards available; online is updated in real-time

- Reach out to Whitney or Austin if you’d like physical copies at your organization

Community Survey results and strategic plan- everything is now available on the ROSC website

New Project: Resource bundles for individuals leaving incarceration- to include resource books, Heartland Continuum’s re-entry resource guide, other resources from agencies that directly interact or provide services to those who are leaving incarceration; transportation is one of the main barriers; potential focus group for those who have recently left incarceration

- Multiple meeting participants expressed interest and willingness to help / be involved (Jami Bermel with TASC, Donna Reeves with Central Counties, Brycen McFadden with Oxford House INC., Galia Cossyleon with Memorial)
- Whitney will reach out to Lt. Canard re: focus group, common needs for those leaving incarceration

Event Recap

- Easter Bunny Bash- Multiple community organizations including ROSC had resource tables, 100+ Easter baskets were provided to children, Oxford House LLC members helped set-up and break-down event

- Rewind and Recover: Retro Game Night- Sat. April 26th, 6pm-8pm, at Phoenix Center Out on Second; Recovery speaker, potluck, games (registration required, link on website)
- Let's Taco 'Bout Recovery- Sat. May 10th, 6pm-8pm, at Pasfield House; 3 recovery-oriented speakers discussing journeys with mental health / substance use recovery, taco bar sponsored by Bel Viso Medical Aesthetics and Mas Sabores (registration required, link on website)
- Relax and Recover: Tie Dye Takeover- Fri. May 30th, 6pm-8pm, at FGC Stanton location (address on flyer); Instructor-led tie dye activities for adults and children, t-shirts provided, food and beverages provided (feel free to bring a side dish to share), outdoor event (registration required, link provided on website)
- The Great Water Balloon Picnic- Sat. June 21, 11:30am-2:30pm, at FGC Stanton location (address on flyer); water balloon games, lawn games, food and beverages provided (feel free to bring a side dish to share), outdoor event (registration required, link provided on website)

Sober Living Supply Drive- currently have a surplus of items, specifically dental items

Sangamon County ROSC Council

GENERAL MEETING

4.22.25



Agenda

- Introductions
- Membership Update
- Collaborating Organizations: Updates, Events, & Needs
- Community Resource Guide, Map, & Booklets
- Community Survey & Strategic Plan Update
- Project: Resource Bundle for individuals leaving incarceration
- ROSC Event Updates
- Sober Living supply drive
- Organizational speaker: TASC
- Open Floor

Introductions

- Name
- Agency/organization/affiliation
- How long have you been with ROSC?

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Membership Update

Organizations Represented:

- The Phoenix Center
- Salvation Army / Express Employment
- Sangamon County Sheriff's Office
- Sangamon County Health Department
- Fifth Street Renaissance
- Helping Hands of Springfield
- Peer Power
- Gateway Foundation
- Statewide ROSC
- Central Counties Health Centers
- Heartland HOUSED
- Illinois Human Performance Project
- Oxford House
- Family Guidance Centers
- BYO Church Springfield
- SIU School of Medicine
- Washington Street Mission/ Celebrate Recovery
- Springfield Memorial Hospital
- Meridian Health Plan of Illinois
- Westminster Presbyterian Church
- Springfield MedMark treatment center

+1 new member since last month

March: 33 registered members

April: 34 registered members

Of registered members:

21 unique organizations

1 individual (not org-affiliated)

19 renewals; 15 new members

New Member Registration & Process

If you are interested in becoming a member OR need to re-register this year, please complete the survey: <https://forms.office.com/r/V1Fr6F3eeN>

Next new member orientation is May 16th, 2025 at 12pm

Join the Zoom Meeting at:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81264605484?pwd=nFlSnubNwS8w2CjbMHL7ONNm6d07n.1>

Meeting ID: 812 6460 5484

Passcode: 879238

Membership Representation: Sectors

ROSC Sectors (n = 34 people, can choose more than one sector)				
Person with lived experience 13	Recovery supports 17	Faith-based groups 7	Family 11	Service providers 18
Volunteer/civic organizations 3	Education/schools 3	Youth-serving organizations 2	Media 0	Business 8
State/local/tribal government 4	Substance use treatment organizations 7	Healthcare 5	Law enforcement 1	Judicial 0

Collaborating Community Organizations



Oxford
HOUSE



Sangamon County
Department of Public Health



Collaborating Community Organizations: Updates



UPCOMING EVENTS



COORDINATION
NEEDS



GENERAL
ORGANIZATIONAL
UPDATES



NEWS FOR THE
GROUP



SOLID ROCK

Youth Transitional Services

BRIGHT FUTURES BRUNCH

MAY 17



12PM-3PM

THE UIS STUDENT BALLROOM
2251 Richard Wright Dr, Springfield, IL 62703

Purchase Tickets At:



EVENT: What's Brewing at Gateway?



Date:
Tuesday, May 20th

Time:
8am-9:30am

Location:
Gateway Springfield
2200 Lake Victoria Drive
Springfield, IL 62703



Join us for a casual morning of coffee, networking, and to learn more about the referral and admissions process!

RSVP to Stephanie Carson by Wednesday, May 14th:
scarson@gatewayfoundation.org

FREE DENTAL DAY FRIDAY MAY 30th

HOSTED BY:

ADVANCED DENTAL CARE OF SPRINGFIELD

LOCATION: 4701 WABASH AVE. SPRINGFIELD IL. 62711

THIS IS THE DAY WHEN WE GIVE BACK TO A COMMUNITY THAT HAS BEEN SO WONDERFUL TO US.

CHOICE OF A FILLING, EXTRACTION OR CLEANING WILL BE PROVIDED FOR THOSE 18 YEARS AND OLDER WHO CAN'T GET DENTAL CARE ELSEWHERE. PATIENTS CANNOT BE PREGNANT.

TREATMENT BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Registration is **May 16th, 2025**, Call **(217)207-0632** to schedule your appointment for the event. Limited appointment times available.





The Welcome Home Basket Initiative

Each month, 20 to 30 households transition from homelessness into stable housing. Many move in without the basic essentials needed to manage a home.

You can help by donating essential household items!



Heartland HOUSED can provide the laundry basket! Whether you contribute a single item, a partially filled basket, or a fully stocked one, every donation makes a difference! Our team will ensure that each basket is complete to greet our newly housed neighbors! Please only include items in good condition.

WHAT ITEMS ARE NEEDED?

- Pots and Pans Set
- Dishes (2 plates, 2 bowls)
- Cups (2 coffee mugs, 2 cups)
- Silverware / Knife Set
- Cooking Utensils
- Can Opener
- Oven Mitts
- Dish Towels
- Dish Soap and Sponge
- Food Storage Containers
- Comforter, Sheets, Pillow (Twin)
- Bath Towels and Washcloths
- Shower Curtain and Plastic Liner
- Hygiene (Hand Soap, Shower Gel)
- Toilet Paper
- Handheld Broom and Dustpan
- Trash Bags
- Cleaning Chemicals

Contact us at (217) 801-9033 or staff@heartlandhoused.org

Safe Families for Children Presents

MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA

Enjoy treats, live performance by Radiate Dance Company, etiquette by a local beauty queen and the company of our local community. Explore crafts, a silent auction, and capture memories at our photobooth.

All funds raised will support our Central Illinois Safe Families for Children Chapter.

**1:00pm-4:00pm
Saturday May 10, 2025**

Sherman Methodist Church
2336 E Andrew Rd Sherman, IL

Purchase Individual Tickets or
Sponsor the event here:
<http://bit.ly/4hJR904>



COMMUNITY RESOURCE GUIDE, MAP, & BOOKLETS

Resource Guide Booklets

- Reminder: Paper version of our Sangamon County resource guide available
- Have distributed **881** across **30** organizations in the community so far.
- Reach out if you would like some at your organization!
- QR cards that will direct users to the online resource guide and interactive resource map
- ◀ Accessible via 'Resources' tab at our website:
<https://www.sangamoncorosc.org/>
- ◀ Contact ROSC Program Manager at wdevine@fgcinc.org for any edits or additions
- ◀ **Community Resource Map**: Google map listing different resources in Sangamon County
- ◀ <https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/edit?mid=1oPSS5VcAz3E22XSkNQGjuriXCkaAQA&usp=sharing>
- ◀ Map can also be accessed on ROSC website www.sangamoncorosc.org under resource tab



Community Survey Results & Strategic Plan now available on our website!

- <https://www.sangamoncorosc.org/general-1>





New Project: Resource Bundles for individuals leaving incarceration

- To include our general community resource booklets, and Re-entry resource guide developed by Heartland Housed:
<https://www.heartlandhoused.org/Resources/d008a8fa-10dd-42f2-bb31-69077aef52fa/reentry-resource-guide-for-sangamon-county.pdf>
- Looking for additional resources to include from other organizations.
- I.e., info on employment resources; list of employers who provide work opportunities for individuals with a felony conviction, legal assistance, family reunification services, education opportunities, life skills training, etc.
- Explore ideas about other items and supplies to include in bundle.
- Seeking volunteers interested in assisting with the development of this project.

EVENT UPDATES



Supporting our community: ROSC partners with Feeding Springfield One Lasagna at a Time for "Easter Bunny Bash"

- ▶ ROSC helped gather donations of 30 Easter baskets from community members
- ▶ Helped find volunteers to assist with event. Shout out to Oxford House Inc for volunteering at event- and donating some easter baskets.
- ▶ Helped set up for event
- ▶ Hosted a community resources table



Upcoming Event: Rewind & Recover - Retro Game Night

- ▶ Special thanks to The Phoenix Center (Out on Second) for donating their venue space!
- ▶ Potluck food=the best food! (But let's be mindful with labeling common allergens)
- ▶ Recovery-oriented Speaker
- ▶ All the classic games! Sorry!, Rock Em Sock Em Robots, Candyland, etc.!
- ▶ Pre-registration is required due to limited space- see website, scan QR code, or follow the link to register!
 - ▶ https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc8vQyWLL-aojZ8htwXJIB5a_lvDk7o2bwTaxZtjPcHlD4dEw/viewform?usp=header

SANGAMON COUNTY ROSC PRESENTS:

REWIND and RECOVER

Retro Game Night!

SPEAKER
POTLUCK (BRING A DISH TO SHARE)
CLASSIC BOARD GAMES

LOCATION: THE PHOENIX CENTER OUT ON SECOND
120 E. SCARRITT SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704
OPEN TO INDIVIDUALS IN RECOVERY AND FAMILY MEMBERS

26TH APRIL, 2025
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

RSVP REQUIRED!!
RSVP @ www.sangamoncorosc.org/event-calendar
or Scan QR CODE

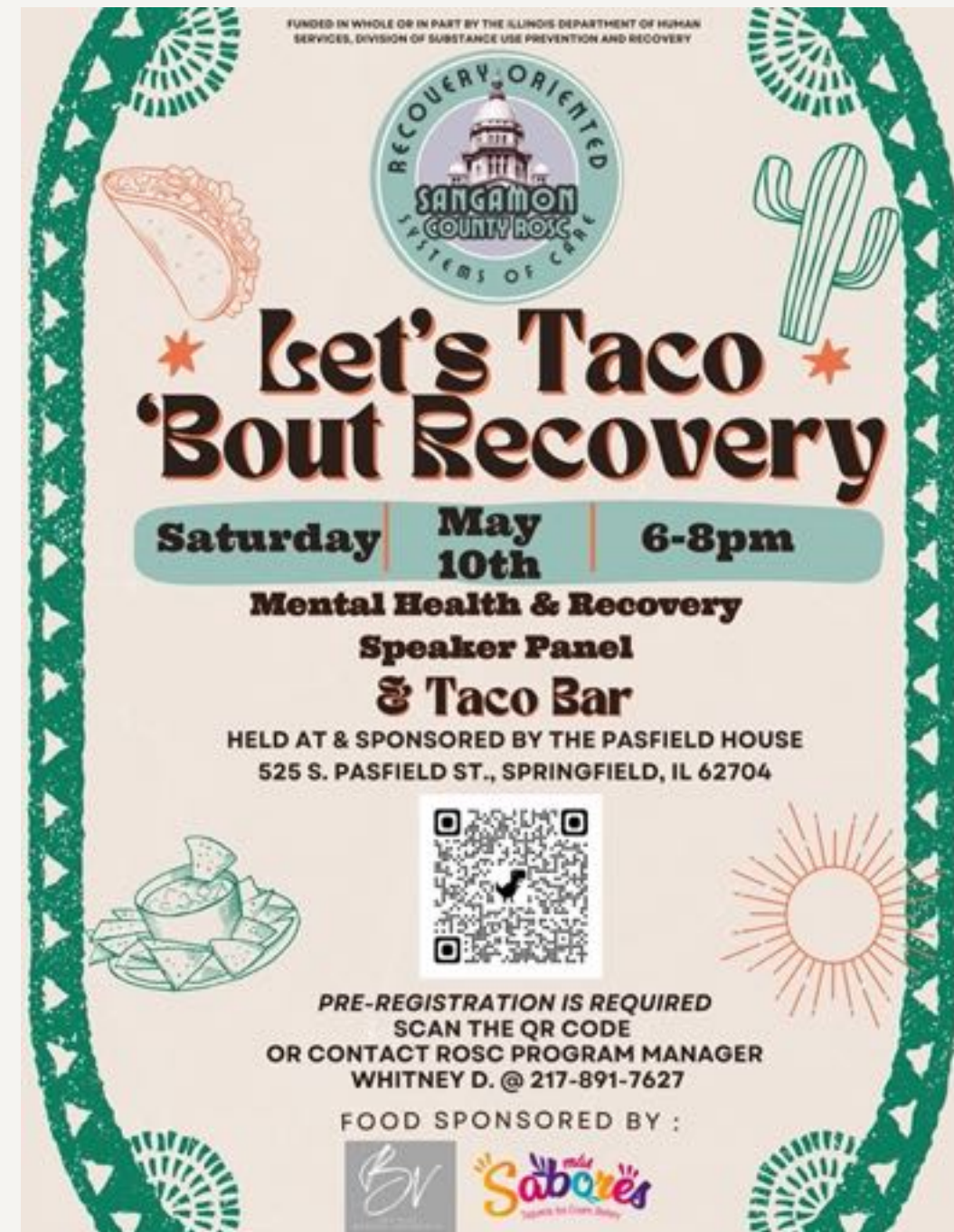
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DIVISION OF SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION AND RECOVERY

RECOVERY-ORIENTED
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COUNTY
ILLINOIS

Upcoming Event: Let's Taco 'Bout Recovery

- Panel includes 3 speakers sharing their personal stories
- Special thanks to The Pasfield House for donating their venue space!
- Shout out to Bel Viso Medical Aesthetics for sponsoring our taco bar with Mas Sabores!
- Pre-registration is required to attend
- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdZF5PXTUEZ_VYkSafo8i0-oT8AReuT0HAwNUfhP52mxr8WLw/viewform?usp=header



Upcoming Event: Relax & Recover – Tie Dye Takeover

- Instructor-led tie dye activity & kid's activities
- T-Shirts provided
- Food & Beverages provided- feel free to bring a side to share!
- Outdoor games (like bags)
- Fellowship, food, and of course, fun!
- Outdoor event @ FGC Stanton Location (BYO lawn chairs and plan accordingly)



RECOVERY ORIENTED
SANGAMON COUNTY ROSC
SYSTEMS OF CARE

RELAX & RECOVER

Tie Dye Takeover

FRIDAY MAY 30TH 6-8 PM

**@2924 STANTON STREET
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62703**

THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS!

FREE style

Magro's

TSHIRTS PROVIDED TO TIE DYE! (RSVP REQUIRED)
FOOD AND BEVERAGES PROVIDED
'BAGS' & OTHER LAWN GAMES
KIDS ACTIVITIES

BRING A LAWN CHAIR & A SIDE TO SHARE!

OPEN TO INDIVIDUALS IN RECOVERY AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS- ALL AGES!

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED TO TIE DYE
SCAN QR CODE, OR VISIT
[HTTPS://WWW.SANGAMONCOROSC.ORG/EVENT-CALENDAR](https://www.sangamoncorosc.org/event-calendar)



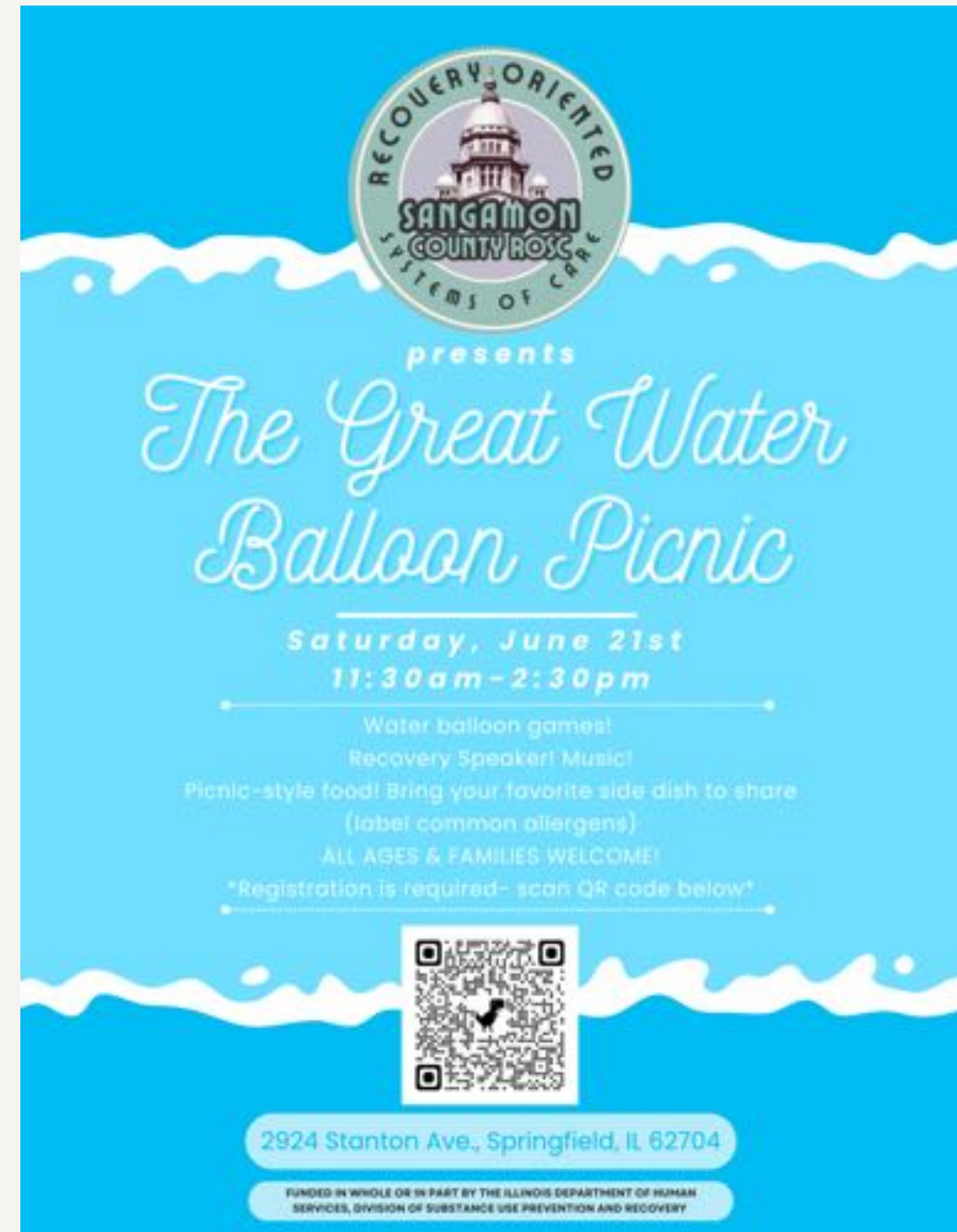
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Tie Dye Takeover: Shout outs!

- Freestyle Apparel for donating shirts
- Magro's for donating hot dogs
- County Market for donating hot dog buns
- Sam Brown (Fifth Street Renaissance) for leading the tie-dye activity!
- FGC Prevention Team for leading the kid's activities
- RSVP Required! please visit <https://www.sangamoncorosc.org/event-calendar> and select the "Relax and Recover: Tie Dye Takeover" event for the registration link, OR scan the QR code on the flyer

Upcoming Event: The Great Water Balloon Picnic

- Water balloons, lawn games, fellowship, and sunshine!
 - Recovery Speaker
 - Food & Beverages provided- feel free to bring a side to share!
 - Be mindful with labeling common allergens
 - BYO lawn chairs
 - Outdoor event @ FGC Stanton Location (plan accordingly)
 - More details to follow; stay tuned!
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- RSVP will be required, keep an eye out for registration at <https://www.sangamoncorosc.org/event-calendar>



Sober Living Supply Drive

- Collecting basic household items for individuals starting out in sober living homes
- A donation box is included at every event.
- ROSC is connected with various sober living homes in the area to help identify when there are needs.
- Examples of items accepted:
 - Hygiene essentials (Shampoo, conditioner, toothbrush, toothpaste, feminine care products, deodorant, razors, brushes, Q-tips)
 - New bedding (sheets, pillows, comforters)
 - Towels (new**)
 - Underwear & socks (new**)
 - Kitchen essentials





Jami Bermel, CADC, CRSS
TASC Deflection Specialist



Scan QR code to visit their website!



TASC, Inc. is an Illinois-based nonprofit agency committed to reducing justice involvement and its consequences by offering broad-scale solutions and by serving adults and adolescents who have a variety of social and health-related needs.

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Deflection

The majority of people who come into contact with law enforcement have a substance use disorder, a mental health condition, or both. As the cornerstone of our mission, TASC strives to prevent the unnecessary and expensive arrest and incarceration of people who have substance use or mental health conditions.

TASC serves both individuals and law enforcement by facilitating solid connections to treatment and recovery support in the community. We help individuals get into and remain in the services they need, and we guide them as they progress to self-sufficiency. Our Deflection programs lessen burdens on law enforcement and increase health for individuals and communities.

A Proactive Approach with Connection to Community Services

Deflection represents an early, "upstream" approach to addressing substance use and mental health disorders. Unlike traditional responses that wait for crises, such as overdoses or arrests, deflection intervenes and proactively creates community-based pathways to recovery for individuals who would be better served by the behavioral health system.

TASC's Operational Support

TASC's Deflection division works collaboratively with first responders and other community stakeholders to promote recovery from drug use, reduce overdoses from opioids and other drugs, and interrupt the cycle of drugs and crime. These specialists work within the community and are trained to intervene during crises and address public health concerns without arrest and incarceration.

TASC's Deflection team also provides TASC Specialized Case Management, facilitating a warm handoff to the services people need most, from substance use and/or mental health treatment to victim/survivor support services to housing assistance. Additionally, Deflection specialists provide training on preventing opioid overdose deaths, including naloxone administration and use of fentanyl test strips.

Center for Health and Justice Training & Technical Assistance

TASC's Center for Health and Justice (CHJ) offers training and technical assistance to communities interested in launching deflection efforts. These initiatives prioritize assisting individuals with substance use or mental health challenges and connecting them to services that are both equitable and responsive to individual needs, regardless of gender, race, or ethnicity.

TASC's Deflection Partnerships Across Illinois

TASC is actively involved in deflection initiatives in Harvey, Justice, and Schiller Park, and working on new sites in Dixmoor and Chicago Heights. Deflection is not limited to Cook County Suburbs. Around the state, TASC is involved in existing or new deflection initiatives in West, Central and Southern Illinois.

Collaborating with first responders and community-based service providers across Illinois, TASC helps create healthier families and safer communities.