Summary of Effingham County Community Needs Assessment

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Disappointing Exceptional

Survey Statements	Rating
The community offers safe affordable and dependable public transportation.	2.6
The community has good availability of safe, affordable housing.	2.4
There are an adequate number of substance use/addiction services in the community	1.8
(including detox/inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation services).	
Substance abuse awareness and education is available to inform people about the	2.3
disease of addiction (outside of 12 step meetings or treatment centers).	
The community offers education and vocational training and opportunities to persons	3.0
in recovery (GED classes, employability skills, etc.).	
Local schools have programs in place to help adolescents in recovery transition back	2.0
to school, after completion of substance abuse treatment.	
Adequate healthcare services including primary care, pharmacies, dental, local clinics,	3.5
mental health and substance abuse services are available in your community for	
persons with limited or no insurance.	
The community has early intervention and referral strategies, including connection to	3.0
courts, criminal justice systems and substance abuse treatment centers, if needed.	
The community addresses barriers persons in treatment and recovery may encounter	2.4
(e.g. childcare, transportation, employment).	
The community offers programs to educate and support family members of persons	2.5
in recovery.	
The community has programs in place to help support children of drug or alcohol	2.2
addicted parents.	
The community offers a variety of safe, sober, fun and fulfilling activities.	2.3

What other challenges does your community face that need to	#
be addressed by the ROSC Council?	Responses
Denial of problem of substance use in county by residents both in	
professional and nonprofessional positions	3
Lack of support from local schools regarding drug and alcohol	
education in school and outside of school (participation)	3
Lack of treatment options	1

Additional Comments:	# Responses
Happy recovery community is involved in council.	1
Hospital recovery will be a great thing for the county once we get it up and going.	2