

#### **OVERVIEW**

# SOUTHLAND RECOVERY COALITION Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC)

#### **MEMBERSHIP PROTOCOL**

## WHAT IS THE SOUTHLAND RECOVERY COALITION (SRC)?

SRC, is comprised of four organizations which include: Cornerstone Community Development Corporation, NFP (Cornerstone CDC); Indigenous Community Service Center (ICSC); Lights of Zion Training Institute, NFP (LOZ); and Reassemble Education and Training, Inc. (RET-INC).

SRC endeavors to create a recovery-oriented system of care in the south suburban region of Cook & Will County. These counties include but limited to Ford Heights, Calumet City, Chicago Heights, Glenwood. Lansing, Lynwood, Sauk Village, and the southeastern corridor of Will County, which includes parts of Park Forest, Steger, and University Park; along with Crete, Monee, and training/community workshop(s) in Joliet. Individually, our partners have been hard at work to provide a supportive recovery community and believe that the formation of a ROSC Council will significantly help to expand that work while building a holistic, comprehensive network of services. Systematic effort to develop a robust public health approach focuses on the prevention of substance use problems in the general population while changing communities and restoring lives.

# WHAT IS A ROSC (Recovery Oriented System of Care)?

A Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC) are networks of formal and informal services developed and mobilized to sustain long-term recovery for individuals and families impacted by severe substance use disorders [and mental illness]. The system in ROSC is not a treatment agency, but a macro-level organization of a community, a state, or a nation. (William White)

## WHO IS INVOLVED IN ROSCS IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS?

The Lead Agencies of the ROSC Councils currently participate in a Monthly Learning Collaborative call to develop linkages with ROSC Councils throughout the state to establish a consistent and collaborative approach to a statewide ROSC. The Lead Agencies also participate in quarterly statewide ROSC meetings in the Chicago area.





# **List of Active Illinois ROSC Councils**

- > SRC -Cornerstone Community Development Corporation: (South Suburban Cook & Will County)
- WCIR Council Bridgeway, Inc. (Knox, Warren, Henderson, and Henry Counties)
- CRCC Chicago Recovering Communities Coalition (Chicago West Side)
- MERC Chestnut Health Systems, Inc., Madison County (Madison and St. Clair Counties)
- CMLC Council Chestnut Health Systems, Inc., McLean County (McLean County)
- CEAD Council Central East Alcoholism and Drug Council (Coles, Cumberland and Shelby Counties)
- SIRC Egyptian Public and Mental Health Department (Saline, Gallatin and White Counties)
- CPYD Coalition Kenneth Young Center (Elk Grove Village, Palatine and Hanover Park)
- FSRI Transforming Educating and Empowering Children and Humanity (TEECH, South Suburban Chicago)
- Bridgeway, Inc. (McDonough and Fulton Counties)
- Human Service Center (Randolph and Washington Counties)

## WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF THE SRC ROSC?

Our goals aim to build a sustainable ROSC council to accomplish the following:

- > Create a council that encourages and cultivates unity for the recovering individual, families, and friends.
- > Strengthen a culture of partnership and collaboration with local providers, businesses, law enforcement, criminal justice, faith-based and veterans' organizations, schools, child welfare, public health, and healthcare systems,
- ➤ To provide community education prevention, reduce stigma, and allow for more significant opportunities for individuals and families to achieve wellness and thrive in their communities
- Fully involve clients and families in orienting the Southland toward a Recovery-Oriented System of Care
- Develop supportive communities that foster growth, respect, and understanding of those who have issues in the areas of substance use and mental health.
- > Implement effective community integration and mobilize the community as a resource for healing
- > Facilitates a culture of peer support and leadership throughout the communities.
- Create mechanisms for sustained support
- Promote hope, and encourage community stakeholders to commitment to implementing and sustaining a recovery-oriented system of care
- Motivate, inspire, and energize people to overcome challenges
- Create an organizational culture consistent with recovery values that will allow voices to be heard
- Develop surveys to show validity to concerns and share with those who can assist with making some changes.
- Promote ROSC and the community issue as much as possible.
- Create a culture in our communities that encourage and nurtures recovery
- Build the capacity and infrastructure to support a recovery-oriented system of care



## **GOALS** (continued)

- Develop surveys to show validity to concerns and share with those who can assist with making some changes.
- Promote ROSC and the Southland region's issues as much as possible.
- > Create a culture in our communities that encourages and nurtures recovery
- > Building capacity and infrastructure to support a recovery-oriented system of care
- Encourage community stakeholders to commitment to implementing and sustaining a recoveryoriented system of care

## HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE SRC ROSC COUNCIL?

- 1. Attend an informational session to and become informed about the Criteria of The ROSC Council
- 2. Commit to becoming a part of the ROSC Council and sign an MOU.

#### WHAT ARE THE EXPECTATIONS OF THOSE IN THE ROSC COUNCIL?

- ✓ Participate in our monthly meetings, whether in person or held virtually, to share ideas on how to assist our communities
- ✓ Join in ROSC activities, such as newsletters, sharing new ideas, data, best practices, and other important and relevant news related to the ROSC.
- ✓ Participate in community improvement projects and collaborations,
- ✓ Embrace the concept of multiple pathways to recovery, peer-supported recovery, person-centered services, client choice, health, and wellness.
- ✓ Be active in the community providing resources for individuals and families.
- ✓ Link to the ROSC website from their organization's website.
- ✓ Actively initiate and participate in collaborative activities to achieve health for all.

## **REGULAR MEETINGS**

The regular monthly council meetings will be determined based upon the agreement of each council. Regular meetings will be held monthly at a time and place agreed upon by the ROSC Council members. The number of ROSC Council members may be changed from time to time by the Council members without further amendment of the written protocol.

### **SPECIAL MEETINGS**

Special meetings may be requested by two-thirds of the Council members at a place and time to be determined by the membership. Notice of any special meetings will be given to members at least two (2) days before the meeting date.

## **COMPENSATION**

The ROSC Council members shall not receive any stated salary of compensation for their membership.





#### **INDEMNIFICATION**

The Council shall have the power to indemnify any person who is made party to any threatening, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative because he or she is or was a Council member.

#### **AMENDMENTS**

The membership protocol may be amended by the Council members when deemed appropriate.

## PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS VIA COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT

Council members may participate in and act at any meeting with a conference telephone video conferencing, other communications equipment, and/or any form of electronic input to move Council matters forward.

#### CONFIDENTIALITY

Confidentiality is a must within the council. This will allow for transparency and trust with the members.

## FOR QUESTIONS OR TO JOIN THE SRC ROSC COUNCIL?

Contact a Member of SRC Council through the emails listed below or call (708) 758-2565.

## **SRC CORE PARTNER AGENCIES**

Ford Heights Community Service Organization (Lead)
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Lights of Zion Training Institute (Core Partner)
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Reassemble, Education, & Training, Inc. (Partner), Carmen Meekins, CEO, retincgroup1@gmail.com

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