

Clark/Cumberland County ROSC Meeting Minutes

September 12th, 2023

4:30 pm

Zoom and In-Person Hybrid

Calvary Tabernacle in Toledo

Attendees: Teresa Johnson, Kristina Drum, Kyle Houser, Ambrosia Roberts, Nicki Hanks, Allyssa Houser, Julie Pohlman, Adam Lovell, Randy Perry, Corey Blair, Donnelle Darling, Tammy Strader, Shawn Strader, Eddie McFarland, Paul Abraham, Zach Backlin, Tess Miller, Jack Weber, Sara Ruholl, Melissa Coleman, Norm Wilson, Liesl Wingert,

Minutes

Agenda Item: Introductions and Updates:

Spotlight speaker – Teresa Johnson, Healthcare Coordinator, Hour House, stated the Stabilization Unit, funded by SUPR, was implemented 30 days ago. Three locations were chosen as pilots; the Hour House is the only pilot in a rural community. Recovery Navigators run the Stabilization Unit, and its purpose is to stabilize individuals who are homeless or experiencing housing insecurity. These individuals will be assessed to see if they are appropriate for residential treatment and receive assistance finding housing, utilities, food, and other services or resources. A Typical stay is between three and five days, and there are currently nine beds available. However, the beds are shared with women's residential, so technically 5 beds are dedicated to the Stabilization Unit. There has been a total of 37 clients to date; last week, 25 clients underwent stabilization, and 18 entered residential treatment. Individuals from various counties have entered the Stabilization Unit, including Christian, Clark, Coles, Cumberland, Douglas, Edgar, and Effingham. It is required for an individual to be medically stable to enter the Stabilization Unit. Teresa explained that they are still seeking clarification from the state on whether a client must have a substance use challenge to qualify.

Updates: The Candlelight Vigil held in Casey had a good turnout, with about 50 people in attendance. Twenty boxes of Narcan were distributed to community members. This was a heartfelt event, and we are thankful to all those who came to honor their loved ones who were lost to substance use and mental health challenges. Yard signs have been approved, and they will have a QR code including information and resources for all 6 ROSC councils and the 8 counties we serve.

Subcommittee Update: Kyle shared last month's meeting minutes and discussed the topics for the panels we are planning in each county. The Cumberland County panel will be in February, and the topic will be the correlation between trauma and substance use disorder and mental

health challenges. The Clark County panel will be in February, focusing on how substance use disorder affects families.

Upcoming Events: We are still looking for volunteers for the recovery picnic. This event is on September 30th at Casey Fairview Park from 11-3. We want to plan a laundry day in Cumberland County. A discussion begins about which laundromat in Greenup and where we will get quarters. Corey Blair donates \$100 for quarters. Celebrate Recovery will get the quarters and hold them until the event. We are also planning to have Narcan training in Clark County soon. Shawn suggests the Church of Casey as a location. Kristina will contact the Clark County Health Department to see if they want to join the training.

Deliverables: Kristina will update the Strategic Plan, Needs Assessments, and Communication and Outreach plans in both Counties.

Reminders/Tasks:

- Please Sign the MOUs and return them to Kristina Drum.
- Kristina will schedule additional opportunities to educate the community on the ROSC Concept.
- Who do we need at the ROSC Council meetings, and how do we get them here?
- Planning for events for the next Fiscal Year, such as the panel events and the recovery picnic for Recovery Month in September, has begun! Council members are encouraged to participate in the planning to make them successful.

Next Meeting: October 10th, 2023, at the Forsythe Center in Marshall and via Zoom