

ROSC Consortium Meeting

April 28, 2025

Meeting Attendees: Michelle Dettwiler-ROSC Coordinator, Brittney Card- ROSC Coordinator, Elyse Schoen- MCPHD, Lindsay Minor- MCPHD, Adrienne Edwards- Recover Corps, Tiffanie Thacker- Next Network, Fredchesca Lemaster- Next Network, Jon Magnuson- Next Network, Sam Brown- Fifth Street Renaissance, Wayman Meredith- Girard Police Department, Kayla Frayer- TASC, Aurora Plake- TASC, Chris Stanford- TASC, Chas Swearingen- Lincoln Prairie Behavioral Health, Corinne Briscoe- Macoupin County Probation, Jim Moats- Indivior, Jill Wright- Montgomery County Health Department, Steve Bryant- Litchfield Park District, Cameron Corbin- Locust Street Living Room, Carmen Lanham- Family Guidance Center, Carrie McKinzie- Gateway Foundation, Charles Legrand – Pavilion, Elena Rivera- Family Guidance Center, Elizabeth Stewart- Birth To Five Illinois, Hank Boehme- Family Guidance Center, Heather Meyers- Salvation Army Supportive Services for Veterans Families, Kelly Jefferson- NAMI, Monique Brunious – Bond County Recovery Council, Savannah Holthaus- ROE 40, Sheena Langhauser- BJC Memorial Healthcare, Stephanie Carson – Gateway Foundation, Greg Santoni- TASC

Welcome & Introductions

- New Member Introductions
 - Jim Moats- Indivior
 - Cameron Corbin- Locust Street's Living Room
 - Elena Rivera- Family Guidance Centers
 - Hank Boehme- Family Guidance Centers
 - Heather Meyers- Salvation Army Supportive Services for Veterans
- ROSC Consortium Logo Board- Need to add Montgomery County Health Department logo.
- Follow us on Facebook!
- Utopia Board Game under construction. We are wanting more participation so we are creating a virtual version of this board game! It will be ready for re-launch in July 2025!
- Approval of March's ROSC Meeting Minutes – Adrienne Edwards motions

- Meeting Agenda- TASC presentation & Interactive Criminal Justice discussion (Where we are, where we would like to be, how to get there).

TASC

- Welcome Greg Santoni from TASC Deflection- Serving Macoupin, Montgomery, Greene, Calhoun, and Jersey counties
- TASC stands for Treatment Alternatives for Safer Communities
- 4 divisions- ACJ- Adult Criminal Justice, CTP- Corrections Transitional Program, Y&FS- Youth & Family Services, and Deflection.
- Serves 102 counties, 24 Judicial Courts, 5 Parole Districts, and about 10,000 people served annually.
- Deflection is a collaborative intervention connecting law enforcement, EMS, & public health systems to create community-based pathways to treatment for substance use & mental health disorders. The goal is to keep people away from the criminal justice system and deflected towards help.
- Bridging the gap between hurt, help & law enforcement/CJS.
- Stigma against law enforcement- police don't care, mental health clients are treated guilty before on scene assessment, law enforcement officers are insensitive, CJS doesn't provide enough training.
- Barriers for all involved- shame, incarceration, paranoia, law enforcement lack of empathy, insurance or lack thereof, clients taken seriously by law enforcement, lack of quality legal representation, trust, and knowledge especially regarding mental health.
- NO real transportation system in Macoupin – unlike Madison/St. Clair County
- We are encouraged to work with law enforcement—they are the biggest referrers. We have also received referrals from churches and libraries. Anyone can send a referral—we will meet them where they are.

Strategic Planning – Criminal Justice

- MD- criminal justice brought me into this work – I used to be a corrections officer. The strategic aims related to criminal justice are vague – we need actionable steps.
- **What we are doing –**
 - Representative at Montgomery drug court
 - Representative present at probation
 - Attendance at local & surrounding reentry summits

- Receiving referrals from probation
 - Freelance lawyers go into the jail and do intakes, speak to the person, and work on referral order to take a person from jail to treatment.
 - Get people connected with CIS services – (Corrections, Integration, and Support) CIS officers will host a webinar for individuals returning to the specific county on parole. We were able to sit on that to help people get the services they need. We can go to the court and advocate that they are working with us and getting TX. We also do outreach to people in the community. Some limitations are, having to be ordered to go to TASC.
 - We do harm reduction – SSP program, validation cards (legal waiver from liability for helpers), transportation via Next Network, pretrial services is being done.
 - 24-7 drop off/living room through Locust Street (have groups, some help with housing but have to be in crisis – not already homeless).
 - MOUD via SFW including during pre-incarceration, bringing NA into the jails (working on it)
- **How to get there**
 - **Where to want to be –**
 - Housing- More cohesive work with landlords for housing for those with CJS involvement.
 - Transportation- More options for transportation
 - MOUD in county jails
 - Pretrial officer in Macoupin (Targeted relationship building)
 - Working as a more cohesive group to get people to help if they need to be sent to prison, to begin with, can be beneficial to the cycle.
 - More cohesive deflection.
 - Starting a mental health court in Macoupin County. The Court said this was not possible.
- **Wrap-Up & Closing Remarks**
 - Continued interactive discussion at next ROSC meeting.
 - Next Planning Meeting on 5/12/25 from 10AM-11AM via Zoom.
 - Send MD email to get on list serve.
 - Next Meeting Tuesday after Memorial Day 5/27/25 from 2PM-3PM at Beacon Church in Litchfield. Also via Zoom for those who cannot make it in person! Topic will be Criminal Justice again.