

WINNEBAGO ROSC

MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: Hybrid - Zoom

DATE: 5/13/25

ATTENDEES: Richard Springs (Host -EDDR Foundation ROSC), Halle Berghoff (EDDR Foundation), Miracle Cooper (EDDR Foundation), Ben Rudolph (Region 2 Technical Assistant Statewide ROSC), Michelle Neuman-Galan (Aetna Community Strategist), Chris Burton (Rosecrance Community Outreach Specialist, Prison Works NAACP Chairman), Nathaniel Bovell (Prairie State Legal Services) Deb Beckmann (SROSC), Nitro Starling (Jeremiah Development), Johanna Gonzalez (IDHS SUPR), Ebony Teamer (Jubilee Case Advocate), Sana Siddiqui (Winnebago County Jail Behavioral Health Coordinator), Scott Lewis (WCHA)

TIME: 10:00 am -11:00 am

AGENDA ITEMS

- I. Introductions: Name, Organization, how to stay in touch.
- II. ROSC Overview: What is the ROSC and why it is important to the community? Mission: Building a collaborative community while recognizing multiple pathways to recovery. Vision: to be a resource to the community including persons in recovery, their families, and others.
- III. Guest Introductions: We took time going around the meeting to introduce ourselves and our organizations. There was also a call to present at future meetings if anyone was interested.
- IV. Upcoming Events: We spent time going over upcoming events in the community. There's an Overdose Awareness Day Health Fair happening on August 30th. On July 12th there will be a Love Rockford 2025 Backyard Event featuring a health fair, food, dancing, and other activities. Erick also spoke about EDDR's Pre-Apprenticeship program which is currently recruiting for a new cohort.
- V. Strategic Initiatives
 - Goal 1: Increase the involvement of family members and other natural supports in the Recovery process of loved ones
 - Goal 2: Decrease Stigma in the community
 - Goal 3: Housing
 - Goal 4: Employment
 - Goal 5: Transportation

Goal 6: Improve knowledge of recovery events in the community
Goal 7: Build Recovery programs alongside providers
Goal 8: Increase and Maintain ROSC Council
Goal 9: Establish Recovery Support Services for Winnebago County

- VI.** Additional topics included the want and need to expand the Winnebago County ROSC. Erick stressed how this is a council for anyone and everyone to join and how participation is currently the most important thing. He asked all current members of the WCR to invite at least one person to next month's meeting.