



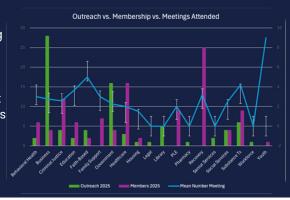
MMCR ROSC Impact Report

FY25

Macoupin-Montgomery County ROSC (MMCR)serves residents and visitors in Macoupin and Montgomery Counties who are impacted by substance use, along with their allies. Priority populations include youth, individuals involved in the criminal justice system, and those experiencing homelessness.

MMCR has made substantial progress in reducing stigma through a series of stigma reduction campaigns, including the *Do You See Me Now Campaign* and recovery month events, which continue to be incorporated into day-to-day activities and outreach. MMCR also continues to provide awareness of substance treatment, recovery programs/resources, and increasing connections between service providers through 4 different monthly interagency network meetings and ongoing lectures/presentations from local providers.

The MMCR Council has grown to include roughly 130 formal and informal members, with 30 regularly attending meetings and 10–15 engaged in planning and advisory roles. As shown in the figure on the right, in 2025, MMCR extended its outreach efforts to include local businesses and government offices, recognizing their role as 3rd spaces where many people in addiction and in recovery spend a significant amount of their time. The figure also shows how it has been a challenge to engage the business and government sectors, even as it has relationships with key sectors, including social services, substance use treatment, healthcare, education, and criminal justice. In order to increase access to recovery capital for key populations in our region, this type of engagement is vital.

















2025 Priorities

In 2025, MMCR has prioritized increasing awareness of and distribution of harm reduction resources, addressing transportation issues related to treatment and recovery, and youth prevention as the priority in 2025. These priorities have arisen from needs identified by stakeholders and the corresponding capacity to respond to these needs.

2025 Impact

We have observed the significant impact of our 2025 priorities. For harm reduction, we collaborated with our RCO to establish a Syringe Service Program (SSP) site, which works closely with the Macoupin County Public Health Department. The Next Network RCO acquired a vehicle for transportation to treatment and other services in Montgomery County. Last, we established the *Handle with Care* programs in schools across the two-county area, which also involves a youth advocacy program, *Teens for Teens*. Teens for Teens additionally serves as an advisory group to the MMCR ROSC.

